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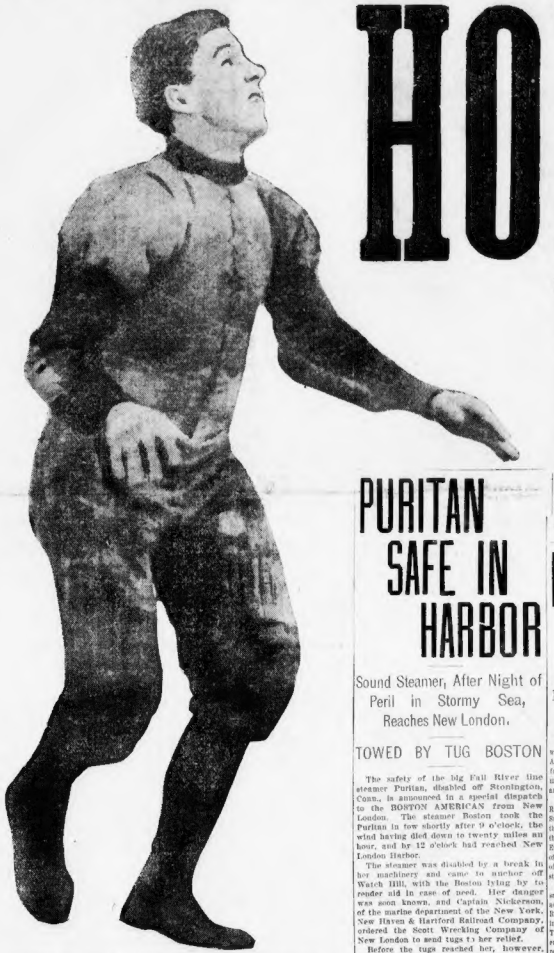
FOOTBALL CAPTAIN HURLEY HERO OF BLAZE AT HARVARD

HOLLIS HALL FIRE



CAPTAIN DAN HURLEY, FIRE FIGHTER.

PURITAN SAFE IN HARBOR

Sound Steamer, After Night of Peril in Stormy Sea, Reaches New London.

TOWED BY TUG BOSTON

The safety of the big Fall River line steamer Puritan, disabled off Stonington, Conn., is announced in a special dispatch to the BOSTON AMERICAN from New London. The steamer Boston took the Puritan in tow shortly after 9 o'clock, the wind having died down to twenty miles an hour, and by 12 o'clock had reached New London Harbor.

The steamer was disabled by a break in her machinery and came to anchor off Watch Hill, with the Boston lying by to render aid in case of need. Her danger was soon known, and Captain Nickerson, of the marine department of the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad Company, ordered the Scott Wrecking Company of New London to send tugs to her relief.

Before the tugs reached her, however,

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ERLUNG FORTS FALL TO JAPS AT PORT ARTHUR

MINED FIRST AND JAPANESE THEN DRIVE OUT GARRISON BY ASSAULT.

LONDON, Dec. 29.—The Japanese have won another magnificent victory at Port Arthur, practically destroying the powerful Erlung forts and occupying Rihung mountain, to the northeast of the town and Golden Hill.

This break in the inner defences of the Russians necessitates the withdrawal of Stessel and his garrison to Liao-Ti-Shan, three miles to the south, and it is reported that this has already been done. The Erlung forts completed the principal part of the first and most important land sector of fortifications surrounding the great stronghold.

The Japanese casualties in the final assault on the forts are estimated at 1,000, according to dispatches from Tokio. The Russians lost heavily, their casualties being considerably in excess of the Jap losses. The great slopes of the mountain were covered with dead and wounded when the remnant of the Russian garrison finally withdrew.

MINED BY DYNAMITE.

The official report sent by General Nogi to Tokio contains the following account of the final assault by the Japanese:

"On Wednesday, December 28, at 10 in the morning, the left centre column of our army, following some heavy explosions on the frontal parapet of Rihiung mountain, charged and occupied the parapet under cover of fire from heavy guns, and constructed defence works despite the enemy's fierce fire.

"At 4 in the afternoon, when our occupation was practically assured, we charged and occupied the inner lines of heavy gun positions, subsequently dislodging a remnant of the enemy's force, stubbornly holding the gorge fort, which we occupied, and captured the entire works.

"There were seven dynamite explosions before the final assault. These made terrific breaches in the walls of the forts, and through these the Japanese charged with desperate bravery, under cover of a terrific bombardment.

WIN BY FIERCE ASSAULT.

The Russians offered desperate resistance, but after a bitter struggle they gave way before the victorious Japanese. General Nogi's forces now hold all of the important forts in the north of Port Arthur, and the entire stronghold, with the exception of the southernmost forts, is at their mercy.

Final occupation of the stronghold by the Japanese is expected before January 1.

The extent of the Japanese achievement may be understood from the strength of the Erlung forts. These were surrounded by seven smaller works, armed in all with eighty guns. The fort dominated Take Bay and all the land to the north and northeast.

FOOD FAIR PRICES TODAY IN PORT ARTHUR

Beef, per lb.	75 cents
Horse meat, per lb.	3 cents
Dog meat, per lb.	8 cents
Turkeys	$60 each
Eggs	$1 each

TWO MANCHURIAN ARMIES PREPARE TO FIGHT IN SPRING

HUANSHAN, Dec. 29.—There is little expectation of a decisive movement till Spring, when it will be possible for both sides to throw in strong re-enforcements and recommence the campaign in earnest.

There is an important line of warehouses along the Yalu River, and many bridges have recently been constructed with a care unusual in field operations. This elaborate system has been seriously threatened by General Rennenkampf's raids southeastward.

There are many evidences that the Japanese are strengthening and fortifying their line of communications toward Korea, which necessarily will absorb a considerable force.

POLICE BREAK UP BANQUET OF THE MOSCOW ZEMSTVO

MOSCOW, Dec. 29.—A banquet arranged to take place here on the anniversary of the Trombetzkoi revolution was stopped by order of the police, and the Moscow zemstvo adjourned sine die as a protest against the government note and the return of Grand Duke Sergius, the governor-general of Moscow, who is held to be responsible for the note, which may signal a renewal of terrorism.

GUILMETTE FOUND GUILTY.

CROOKSTON, Minn., Dec. 29.—Joseph Guilmette of Woonsocket, R. I., has been found guilty of murder in the first degree for killing Mathias Mongeon on October 17 last.

Students, Led by Gridiron Warrior, Fought Flames in Historic Structure—Damage to Interior Estimated at $5,000.

A $5,000 fire in Hollis Hall, in Harvard University yard, to-day wrecked the rooms of several students and threatened at one time to destroy the hall, which is the second oldest building in the college yard. Captain Dan Hurley of the 'varsity football team led a volunteer student brigade which fought the fire vigorously till forced to call for aid to combat the spreading flames.

The fire started in a closet and was caused probably by rats and matches or by spontaneous combustion in materials left by painters and carpenters who have been doing repair work in the old building.

Hollis Hall is a four and one-half brick structure containing sixteen student rooms and occupied by about twenty-five students. It was built in 1763. Three years after it was built it was used as temporary barracks for Colonial troops. It is filled with historic associations and has been the college home of several famous men. Room No. 20 on the first floor, which was drenched with water, was occupied by Ralph Waldo Emerson. It is now a sorry mess of smoke, water and wrecked furniture.

HURLEY FIGHTS FIRE.

The fire started in the closet of room 22, on the second floor, occupied by E. B. Blanchard. He is the student-conductor who was in charge of the ill-fated Boston & Northern trolley which was blown up in the terrible dynamite explosion in Melrose last Fall. Blanchard had returned to his studies and to his old room in Hollis. His roommate is R. Stevens. Both were out when the fire came. Captain Dan Hurley, of football fame, happening to be in his entry-way on

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FALL RIVER UNIONS MAY ACCEPT CUT, ENDING STRIKE

Mass Meetings To-morrow, When the Question Will Be Balloted On.

Special to the Boston American.

FALL RIVER, Dec. 29.—Calls were issued to-day, by the secretaries of the several textile unions, for mass meetings to be held at 10 o'clock to-morrow, to vote on the question of continuing the strike. The belief prevails that the body of the strikers will vote to return to work, accepting the 12½ per cent. reduction.

Pressure has been brought to bear on the labor leaders by the strikers to effect a settlement of some kind and end the strike which has caused such terrible suffering among 28,000 mill workers for nearly six months. The question was finally taken up by the Textile Council, and it was voted to submit the matter to the unions direct.

The secretaries of the Spinners', Weavers', Loomfixers', Binder Tenders' and Carders' unions accordingly issued calls to-day.

The calls simply set forth the action taken by the Textile Council, and fixed 10 o'clock to-morrow for the time of meeting. Each union will meet and vote separately upon the proposition to end the strike by returning to work.

None of the labor leaders would discuss the matter to-day. President James Tansey of the Textile Council, who is also is secretary of the Carders' Union, said the question could not be discussed by any of the leaders until the unions had acted. In the calls issued by the secretaries the members of the unions are urged to attend, in order that the vote may be as large and representative as possible, either for or against continuing the strike.

VICTORY FOR EMPLOYERS.

Should the union strikers vote to end the strike, the textile workers will immediately return to the mills at a reduction of 12½ per cent. in wages. This will mean that the half a year of privation and hardship

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PUBLIC GIFTS IN $300,000 WILL

NORTHAMPTON, Dec. 29.—An estate of $300,000 is disposed of by the will of William H. Gaylord of South Hadley. Among the public bequests is one of $25,000 for the South Hadley Public Library, with fifty shares of bank stock, as a fund for the maintenance of the library.

Mr. Gaylord also left $1,000 to Mt. Holyoke College, ten shares in the City National Bank for the First Congregational Church, South Hadley, and $1,000 each to the American Missionary Society and American Board of Foreign Missions.

MABEL WALKER, CHIEF TUCKER WITNESS, GONE

MAINE GIRL WHO WAS WITH ACCUSED ON DAY OF MURDER DISAPPEARS.

The disappearance of Miss Mabel Walker and her aunt, Mrs. A. T. Gamage, from their home at Damariscotta, Me., taken in connection with the near approach of the beginning of the trial of Charles Louis Tucker for the alleged murder of Mabel Page, has led to the rumor that the girl has either been secluded so that she may escape testifying at the trial, or that the State is keeping her away from the prosecution.

The BOSTON AMERICAN is in a position to state from authority that should be regarded as authentic that neither of these rumors is true. Miss Mabel Walker will appear at the proper time at the trial, according to the best authority, and will be called as a witness by the defence.

Where the pretty Maine girl is now the lawyers on both sides profess not to know. It has been suggested that she and her aunt may be in Boston or some place in the vicinity awaiting the beginning of the trial, as they were seen leaving their home on Monday for Portland.

"Do you know where Mabel Walker is?" Lawyer James H. Vahey, counsel for Tucker was asked to-day.

"I do not," was the reply.

"What do you think of her disappearance from her home in Maine?"

"I don't know anything about it and haven't anything to say about it," said the lawyer.

When a member of the State police was asked about Miss Walker, he replied that they had the statement of the girl, procured by detectives who went to her home in Maine, but that it contained no information bearing on the murder. The inference

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PARTY OF 350 INSPECT NEW TUNNEL TO-DAY

Great Celebration Proposed in East Boston for Opening To-night.

BATES AND COLLINS GUESTS

By special invitation of the Boston Transit Commission and the Boston Elevated Railway Company about 350 men, prominent in the affairs of the city and State, inspected the new East Boston tunnel to-day.

The party left the station at the Old State House shortly after 11 o'clock, went through the tunnel to Maverick Square and back to the Scollay Square station.

During the entire trip Governor Bates and Lieutenant-Governor Guild rode on the front platform of the first car. The train stoped at the Atlantic avenue station, which is not yet opened, on the trip to East Boston.

Chairman Crocker Receives.

When the train arrived at the Scollay Square station Chairman George C. Crocker of the Transit Commission held on his promptly reception, receiving congratulations from the members of the party on the success of the work.

In the party were Governor Bates, Lieutenant-Governor Guild, Curtis Guild, Sr., the members of the transit commission, Major Hooper, of the Governor's staff, Secretary Hurtbis, Judge Francis Lowell, of the United States District Court, former Judge Henry S. Dewey, Councilor Sullivan, Postmaster Hibbard, Alderman Bromberg, Horace S. Allen, and others, including members of the State and City Governments.

The opening of the tunnel will be celebrated to-night by citizens of East Boston, 5000 of whom will make a parade in open cars, with bands of music, through the tunnel, and will parade through East Boston streets with red fire. The celebration will close with a banquet at Masonic Hall, at which prominent officers of the city and the Commonwealth will be present.

The tunnel will be opened to the public at 5:30 o'clock to-morrow.

The jollification will begin with the starting of low special cars from Maverick Square at six o'clock to-night. The cars will be run at full speed through the tunnel to Scollay Square. There they will be turned about and headed for East Boston. The return trip will be made slowly, and the occupants of the cars will be given an opportunity to inspect the stations on the way.

Will Hold Banquet.

When the cars reach Meridian street, on the return, the members of the party will form in line and will march to Masonic Hall, where the banquet will be held. The festivities will continue to within a few hours of the beginning of regular traffic in the tube.

Among the banquet guests will be Governor John L. Bates and his staff, Lieutenant Governor Curtis Guild, Jr., President George W. Wiggin of the Boston Senate, Speaker Louis A. Frothingham of the House of Representatives, Mayor Patrick A. Collins, Chairman James Boyle of the Board of Aldermen, President Arthur Polan of the Common Council, Congressman John A. Keliher, Henry W. Whitney, president of the Chamber of Commerce, and president of the East Boston Land Company; President Alfred A. Benyon of the Edison Illuminating Company, Edward Wilfred, of Chelsea, President Alfred E. Wellington, of the East Boston Trade and Transportation Bureau, secretary of the trade association; George H. Kelley, secretary of the Boston Tavern, the father of the Governor; Frank L. Brook, of Winthrop; Colonel George W. Mores and Robert Winsor.

Officers of Committee.

The officers of the East Boston Citizens' Committee: Chairman, William Mackie; secretary, Horace Butler; treasurer, Thomas E. Grimes. The Executive Committee is composed of William Mckie, Eben Metherson, Joseph A. Conry, William Burke, William R. Pigeon, Alfred E. Wellington and Horace F. Butler.

Among the women who will be passengers on the celebration trip, many of whom have already been in the tunnel, are Mrs. John L. Bates, wife of the Governor; Mrs. A. R. Hooper, wife of Major A. R. Hooper, of Governor Bates's staff; Mrs. Frank C. Wood, Mrs. E. M. Butterfield, president of the Hesth Club; Mrs. Robert Bodfish, Miss N. R. Jordan, Miss Augusta McKie, Mrs. Horace Butler, Mrs. Thomas E. Grimes, Mrs. P. C. Kennedy, Mrs. George H. Carter, Mrs. Robert Mackie, Mrs. Lester S. Flagg, Miss Beatrice Macombe, Mrs. C. Atkinson, Mrs. Herbert Ellis, Mrs. George Webster, Mrs. A. J. Bulger and Mrs. J. Lynch.

CHELSEA BOXER HELD BY POLICE

Sandy Ferguseu, the Chelsea pugilist, was arraigned before Judge Ely in the Municipal Court to-day on a charge of robbing Mrs. Ella Veno, of No. 221 Walnut street, Chelsea, of $2.50 in a North End hotel.

Mrs. Veno was the only witness against Sandy, while he declared that he had eight witnesses to prove his innocence. At his request the case was continued until Monday, bail being fixed at $1,000.

HORSE SICKNESS BAFFLES SKILL

A large number of valuable horses in this city are suffering from a mysterious malady known as blackwater, which has for a long time baffled veterinaries and scientists. The Boston Veterinary Hospital on Albany street is treating twenty-four cases.

The horses, partially paralyzed, are stretched out on the floor of the hospital in rows. It is said that no pain accompanies blackwater.

One of the veterinaries at the hospital said to-day to a BOSTON AMERICAN reporter: "The epidemic is nearly over. It is wild a holiday or a day of rest for the horses. The animals which suffer from this are really trained 'nine.' Just as an athlete is trained fine. The attacks follow the breaking of training, together with over-feeding. There is really no known remedy for it. About 50 per cent of all cases are fatal."

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY
Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. E. W. Grove's signature is on each box. 25c.

HISTORIC HOLLIS THREATENED BY $5,000 FIRE AT HARVARD COLLEGE

FAMOUS HOLLIS HALL, WHICH WAS DAMAGED $5,000 BY FIRE TO-DAY.

DORMITORY BUILT OVER 100 YEARS AGO IS BADLY DAMAGED.

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to his room-mate, John Prendergast. "Come on, John, Fire!"

The two dashed down the stairways, calling other students out. A crew of twenty students followed the football captain, going at the closet fire with buckets of water.

"Since too much base ring in an alarm" shouted out Captain Hurley finally, realizing it was not wise to cope with the fire unaided. The Cambridge department found the fire working up through the closet boarding into the third floor rooms and spreading to adjoining rooms. All persons in the second and third floors were damaged by fire, smoke or water. The students had no chance to get their books, clothes nor furnishings out, and many cherished academic and athletic trophy was burned.

Captain Hurley's room on the top floor was not damaged, being just out of reach of the smoke which came up through rooms on the opposite side of the hall-way.

The fire, followed by the fire alarm call, brought out practically *every one* in the college, students, instructors and members of the faculty. Cambridge people joined the throng and the yard about Hollis was jammed.

HISTORIC HALL SAVED.

After it was seen that the precious historic hall was saved, and that no students had even been injured, the collegians took matters easy and congratulated themselves matters were not worse, with words of praise for Captain Dan Hurley and his college fire fighters for the plucky effort they made to put out the flames.

HOLLIS HALL ROSTER.

Hollis Hall—Ground floor—Lyman Goodrich and Arthur Gale, No. 15; S. E. Joshua, No. 17; Charles Mendelsohn, No. 19.

Second floor—F. B. Blanchard and R. S. Stevens, No. 22; R. E. Blakeslee and John Adams, No. 24; S. Lowenthal, No. 26; Scarle, unnumbered room at rear.

Third floor—J. K. and H. Coutant, No. 32; H. Fowler and M. Mumma, No. 28.

Fourth floor—Captain Daniel J. Hurley and John Prendergast, No. 29; R. A. Pope and B. Shirss, No. 30; C. Meier and A. V. Travis, editor of the Crimson, No. 32; Austin C. Wright, unnumbered room at the rear.

LEADING WITNESS FOR TUCKER GONE

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was that the State did not desire the presence of the girl at the trial.

After Detectives Rhoades and Proctor called on the girl in Maine and had a long talk with her in the presence of her aunt, Mrs. Gamage, the latter declared that the officers had assured her that they would not need the girl, as her testimony would not help their side of the case.

It has been learned recently, however, that Miss Walker had talked tatorably for Tucker. She and her aunt refused to interest the latter Tucker secured perfect composure. He joked and laughed and made himself agreeable.

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Subpoenas Being Served.

The presence of Deputy Sheriffs Tolman and Tucker at Weston and other places near by during the last few days serving subpoenas upon witnesses for the trial of Charles Louis Tucker, which begins in the East Cambridge Court next Monday morning, has recalled vividly there the tragic murder of Mabel Page at her home on March 31 last, and the case is being discussed with much feeling.

In every home in Weston, where the Page live, and in Auburndale, where the parents of Tucker reside, the forthcoming trial, with its probable result, is the subject of conversation.

Those whose business took them to these towns after the crime was committed and up to the time of Tucker's arrest and preliminary hearing, declare that any sentiment in reference to Tucker has changed since he was in the company of Miss Walker.

"I do not think that anybody who was so light-hearted and jolly as Mr. Tucker was," it is said Miss Walker declared, "could have done that awful deed."

Joked and Laughed.

Mrs. Gamage in discussing her niece's meeting with Tucker on March 31, the day of the murder, said that Tucker and Mabel went for a walk, and during the two hours they were together Tucker seemed perfectly composed. He joked and laughed and made himself agreeable.

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WILL PLAY CURLING MATCH

Preparations promises to be a great curling match at Scarboro Pond, Franklin Park, next Monday afternoon, when the Boston Curling Club will cross arms with Brookline Country Club.

STEAMER PURITAN IS SAFE IN PORT

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the Boston had taken the Puritan in tow, and a smaller steamer was following in her wake. It was then announced that the Puritan was in no further danger.

WAS OFF POINT JUDITH.

The big boat had just passed through the rough waters off Point Judith and was off Watch Hill when the break to the wheel occurred. There was a good complement of passengers aboard and when the big boat came to a sudden stop they were aroused from their slumbers. It is unlikely that there was any panic as a vessel of the Puritan's size and character would be expected to easily ride through a forty-mile an hour gale.

The steamer Puritan is one of the biggest side-wheel ships in the world and is second in size in the Fall River Line fleet. Her length over all is 419 feet 4 inches, and her length on the water line 403 feet 4 inches. Her breadth over guards is 91 feet and her breadth over hull 52 feet. Her registered gross tonnage is 4,593. She has accommodations for hundreds of passengers.

The Fall River liner Pilgrim, from New York for Fall River, and carrying many Bostonians as passengers, was delayed in her trip by strong head winds and reached port at 4 a.m. that the first craft connected with this city, in charge of Conductor Hunt, left before she arrived. Persons who went to the South Station to meet friends were told when this train arrived in Boston at 7:05 o'clock that Pilgrim passengers would reach here on the train due at 8.

It is not believed here that it will be necessary to attempt to land the Puritan's passengers, but that the boat will probably lie where she is until her injuries can be repaired, when she will proceed on her trip.

The blizzard throughout the west has shown no signs of abatement as yet. In New York and along the Atlantic coast it has moderated and in Boston there was no unpleasantness from the storm.

UNKNOWN STEAMER WRECKED.

Battered by heavy seas, an unknown steamer lay helpless on the Inner Diamond Shoals, eight miles off Cape Hatteras, last night, and faint lights seen now and then carried a message to the life saving corps on shore that there were human lives aboard the wrecked craft that could not be saved until wind and seas calmed sufficiently to allow the surfboats to be launched.

The observer of the United States weather bureau at Hatteras first saw the steamer from the life saving station shortly before noon today. At that time she appeared to be in distress, and later it was seen that she had grounded on the inner shoal, known to mariners as "Hell's Hole," in the graveyard of shipping.

The steamer has three masts and one funnel. Her engines and boilers are aft, and the funnel is between the mainmast and mizzenmast. From her description, it is thought she may be one of the fruit boats that ply between West Indian ports and Baltimore or New York.

The observer at Hatteras reported that the life-saving crews of several stations along the Carolina coast in the vicinity of Hatteras were on the beach ready to launch their surf boats the minute the wind and tide had abated sufficiently to allow them to do so. At that time the wind had dropped from forty to thirty-six miles an hour, but the mercury also was falling steadily, and the approach of freezing weather boded ill for the crew imprisoned upon the steamer.

From the size of the steamer it is estimated she carries a complement of twenty-five men.

The description of the vessel fits a number of oil tank and lumber carrying steamers sailing from Texas and the Southern Atlantic States. Several of these vessels bound north, were probably in the vicinity of Cape Hatteras yesterday.

TWENTY-NINE MEN FACE DEATH

Twenty-nine men, their oilskin suits and Sou'westers covered with ice, their faces blue and pinched from cold, stood on the deck of the stranded steamship Dressel zier off Fire Island when day dawned today. Four of the crew have been washed overboard or they have perished in the cold, and Captain Nicholson and a crew of twenty-eight may perish before help can come to them.

For forty-eight hours the captain and his men have been imprisoned on the vessel. She is pounding herself to pieces on the jagged rocks which scrape her hull on every side, and ever her roll waves that seem high as mountains.

Half a mile off stands the tug William E. Chapman of the Merritt-Chapman Wrecking company, and as the sun came up on the tug's deck his crew knew they are, too—signalled to the men on the deck of the steamship: "We will come when the sea gets easy."

And so these lifesavers will come when the attempt will not be next to suicidal. Time and again they have attempted to get to the ship, now fast breaking to pieces, but each time men have covered their small boats, all but swamped them, and they have had to go back to the staunch tug or perish.

All fires are long since out on the Dunzeizer, her bottom is pierced by many holes and as the water dashes over her she careers, and only the tons of iron and steel in her bulk keeps her from turning turtle.

The schooner Ella and Jane, which went ashore at Hyannis, two weeks ago, broke up during the gale, and is a total loss. She was bound from Elizabethport, N. J., to Grand Manan with a cargo of fertilizer, and her skipper lost his way in a snowstorm.

BABY WEIGHED TWO POUNDS; DEAD

BRIDGEPORT, Conn., Dec. 29.—Mary Hazel, the miniature baby, who has been at the Bridgeport Hospital eight weeks, is dead. The infant was the smallest ever lived at the hospital, having weighed only two pounds and two ounces. She was only fourteen inches from the top of her head to her tiny toes.

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now in progress, sees still further price reductions daily —Odd Pieces not allowed to accumulate, but marked to still lower prices every morning of this week.

Catch Cold Easy? Not if you

Prevention, counsel Colds and Grippe at the proper stage. Take a day or two if cold is neglected. Pyramid laxative candy tablets. Do not sicken like laxatives or quinine. 48 in box 25 cts. at druggists or Dr. Bloop, Box 10, Exeter, Wis.

—Take a Preventic

CAPTAIN, WIFE AND 5 SAVED FROM WRECK

Picked Up by Steamship and Are Now at Havre, France.

SCHOONER CHESTER LOST

Captain E. W. Nelson, his wife and five men, the crew of the schooner Chester, of Machias, Me., were saved from the wreck of the schooner on December 15 by the British steamer Anglo-Chilian, and are now at Havre, France, according to cable dispatches to the BOSTON AMERICAN.

The Anglo-Chilian was bound from Newport News to Havre, and sighted the wreck of the Chester in lat. 39.2 north, long. 59.20 west. Captain and Mrs. Nelson and the crew were taken aboard the British vessel, and the Chester was abandoned.

Captain Nelson spoke very highly of the treatment received at the hands of Captain Johnson and his officers.

The Chester was bound for Barbadoes from St. Martin's, N. B.

WARSHIP TEST TO-MORROW

NEWPORT, R. I., Dec. 29.—A board of twelve naval officers, with Captain J. H. Dayton as its president, convened at the Torpedo Station to-day to arrange details for trial runs off Newport of the new torpedo boat Chattanooga over a measured mile course.

A trial of from four to six hours will be run to-morrow. Saturday a speed run at sea of four hours will be made, and on Monday or Tuesday an endurance run of twenty-four hours at sea will be started.

$2,000 LINGERIE CASE IN COURT

By Boston American Leased Wire.

NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—Two thousand dollars' worth of silk stockings and silken lingerie which Mrs. Marie Lichtenstader pongbe and which her husband refuses to pay for, have brought their fair owner to court. A judgment obtained in London stands over her.

Mrs. Lichtenstader is the wife of the banker and sister to Mrs. Simon Bolg, a widow, whose husband left her $10,000,000.

WIFE OF CONSUL DIES AT LEBANON

LEBANON, N. H., Dec. 29.—Mrs. Susan Wallace Cheney, wife of Elias H. Cheney, United States Consul to Curacoa, died here of Bright's kidney disease. She was the mother of Harry M. Cheney of Lebanon, speaker of the House of Representatives.

The highest-grade, lowest-priced clothing that bears the Union Label is Morse-made.

Those who could not spare the time during Christmas week to devote to a selection from the splendid values of this sale should surely do so now.

Fresh lots have been added to take the place of those that have been sold, so that there are still plenty of money-saving opportunities left.

Men's Clothes

$40 Overcoats cut to.....$30.00
$35 Overcoats cut to.....$28.00
$30 Overcoats cut to.....$25.00
$25 Overcoats cut to.....$20.00
$20 Overcoats cut to.....$15.00
$15 Overcoats cut to.....$10.00
$12 Overcoats cut to.....$8.50
$10 Overcoats cut to.....$7.50

$30 and $25 Suits cut to.....$20.00
$22 and $20 Suits cut to.....$15.00
$18 Suits cut to.....$13.50
$15 Suits cut to.....$10.00
$13.50 Suits cut to.....$10.00
$12 Suits cut to.....$8.50
$10 Suits cut to.....$7.50

Boys' Clothes

(Sizes 10 to 19 Years)

$20 Overcoats cut to.....$15.00
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BESSARABIA'S REVOLT GROWS, JEWS IN PANIC

New Anti-Semitic Agitation Starts and Officials Are Alarmed.

FAMINE BRINGS REBELLION

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 29.—The continued famine is causing the rebellion in Bessarabia to spread and the officials are somewhat alarmed at the dimensions the revolt is assuming.

A new anti-semite agitation has been started in Kisheniouav and the Jews are panic stricken.

JANITOR DIES FOR CRITICISM

By Boston American Leased Wire.

NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—Because tenants had complained of the variation in heat in the fashionable seven-story apartment house at 94 Hamilton place, James McMillan, the janitor, committed suicide in his rooms in the house yesterday by swallowing poison.

McMillan, who was a diminutive man, only five feet in height, was unusually popular with the tenants. Their nickname for him was "Sunny Jim," and he was so sensitive to their criticism that he decided life worth living no longer.

SAYS CRIME NO BRAIN DISEASE

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 29.—Dr. Spitzka of Columbia University in an address here declared his conviction that crime could in no way be attributed to a condition peculiar only to criminals has failed finally. It is because most criminals are drawn in the ranks of the low, the degraded, the outcast, that investigators were ever deceived into attempting to set up a type of criminals.

SENATOR GALLINGER ILL IN CAMBRIDGE

The illness of Senator Jacob H. Gallinger, of New Hampshire, it is announced, is not serious. The Senator will return to Washington on Saturday. He was stricken while on a visit to his sister, Mrs. Harry A. Norton, No. 182 Upland road, Cambridge, but it proved only to be an attack of la grippe.

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RICKER HELD WITHOUT BAIL FOR KILLING WIFE

JEALOUSY LED TO SHOOTING IN CHARLESTOWN

Husband Fled; Was Captured While Intoxicated and Locked Up.

HAD FREQUENT QUARRELS

John Alonzo Ricker, of No. 9 Sullivan street, Charlestown, was arraigned in the Charlestown District Court to-day before Judge Bridge, charged with killing his wife, Mrs. Helen Strain Ricker, by shooting her. He pleaded not guilty in a calm voice. Requesting to make any statement, he was held without bail for the January sitting of the Suffolk Grand Jury, and was sent to Charles street jail.

The police and people living in the house where Mrs. Ricker was shot say that Ricker killed his wife on account of jealousy, lying in wait for her an hour and a half. Witnesses produced at the hearing by Captain Dugan, head of the Keller Bureau of Criminal Investigation, testified to Ricker's waiting for his wife, also to his purchasing a revolver a short time before she was shot. Ricker's statement to Captain Dugan, also directly through Captain Dugan, who said at the hearing:

"After I found Ricker had bought a revolver from a pawnbroker on Main street yesterday afternoon I asked him why he did so. He said that he was having trouble with men where he worked in Quincy and that he bought the revolver for self-defense. But he said he remembered nothing of what happened at the house."

Prisoner Unconcerned.

The hearing lasted but twenty minutes. Ricker, a short, slender man with dark mustache and small, black eyes, was apparently unconcerned. When asked if he was guilty of murder he shook his head in denial.

Mrs. Annie Sullivan, a lodger at No. 9 Sullivan street, said:

"I heard a noise in the Rickers' room. I told the landlady, Mrs. Nelson Garland. We went to the Rickers' door. Mrs. Garland said: 'I want to see Mrs. Ricker.'

"The door was unlocked. Ricker came out, saying, 'There she is. Look at her. She's all in. I killed her.'

"Then he run down stairs before we could do anything. We saw Mrs. Ricker on the floor, apparently dead. We called to Mr. Garland, who is a policeman.

Mrs. Garland corroborated this testimony. Mr. Garland told about getting the policeman. David Cox, a lodger, testified to having heard a noise in Ricker's room about that time. Patrolman Kneeland, of the Charlestown station, testified:

"I found Mrs. Ricker dead on the floor, shot in the mouth. A bulldog revolver, with two chambers discharged, was on the floor at the foot of the bed. I found no other bullet on the floor, apparently having hit the wall and dropped down."

Caught on Chelsea Bridge.

Patrolman Martin J. Allen, who had been detailed to watch Chelsea Bridge after the alarm was given, testified to stopping an intoxicated man with blood on his face. He took him to the station, where he was identified as Ricker. The man first said he lived on Second street, Chelsea, and was going home.

During all their married life of eleven years Ricker has quarreled with his wife, and on more than one occasion she has left him, only to be persuaded later to return. Six weeks ago they were living in Quincy, where he had a position. They quarreled, and she came to Charlestown, leaving him there.

While she was at work yesterday Ricker went to her room and awaited her coming. He lay on the bed, and after the tragedy the outline of his body and of the revolver in his hand were plainly marked in the soft clothing.

She did not come home as soon as he expected her, and shortly after seven o'clock he started to see what was detaining her. On the way he passed Butler's drug store and saw her with Miss Margaret McGowan in the store. Mrs. Ricker said, as he glared through the window:

"If looks could kill I would be dead now."

Ricker returned to the house, and a little later Mrs. Ricker entered. She stopped on the first floor to talk with Mrs. Annie Sullivan and Mrs. Nelson Garland. At 8:30 o'clock she went to her room. The shooting followed.

Woman Bore Good Name.

Mrs. Ricker was Miss Helen Strain of Brockton. The couple had one child, a boy, eight years old, who is visiting an aunt in Brockton. Charles Strain, a brother, is foreman in one of the shoe factories in Brockton. The murdered woman bore an excellent reputation. Ricker came from St. John, N. B., and they were married in 1893 by the Rev. Frank P. Parkin, of Brockton. Ricker was forty years old and Mrs. Ricker was thirty-five.

Charles and James Strain, of Brockton, brothers of Mrs. Ricker, came to Boston Police Headquarters to-day to make arrangements for Mrs. Ricker's funeral. Mrs. Ricker's father and two sisters also live in Brockton.

MRS. J. ALONZO RICKER.

ROOM WHERE MURDER WAS COMMITTED.

WIFE WHO WAS SLAIN AND SCENE OF CRIME.

UNIONS VOTE ON FALL RIVER STRIKE

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endured by the strikers has gone for nothing. It will be a complete victory for the manufacturers, whose strike insurance has guaranteed them against loss while the strike was in progress.

There is yet $50,000 or more due to the Fall River strikers from the American Federation of Labor. This will soon be collected, and should the strikers vote to return to work it will be divided among the treasuries of the five textile unions, unless he unions themselves vote to dispose of it in some other manner.

The flat refusal of the manufacturers to accept suggestions made by Governor Bates to end the strike, or to make any concessions whatever to the strikers, has convinced the labor leaders, apparently of the futility of further fighting against the proposed reduction. The condition of the mill workers is said to be such that with the expenditure of the funds now in sight, their destitution and suffering will be extreme.

The outcome of to-morrow's meeting is awaited with tremendous anxiety through out Fall River.

MAY INVESTIGATE ARBITRATION BOARD

Senator Frank Chase, of Fall River, said to-day to a BOSTON AMERICAN reporter that, if the State Board of Conciliation and Arbitration continues inactive in the Fall River strike situation until the Senate convenes, he will, on the first day of the session, introduce a measure to compel them to action.

"The Board of Conciliation and Arbitration should take a more prominent part in this matter," said Senator Chase. "So far as I know they have been to Fall River but once.

"If they have done nothing more than the Senate convenes, I will introduce a bill the first day of the session, calling upon them to make public the cause, copy conditions of labor and amount of business done in the various mills throughout the State. This will enable the public to form a just estimate of the Fall River situation.

"If it is shown, as a result, that the Fall River mills are paying higher wages than the other mills, then the position of the strikers will not find public sympathy. If, on the other hand, it is shown and charged that the Fall River mills are paying lower wages than the other mills, it will demonstrate conclusively that the Fall River manufacturers are not to blame for bringing out in the face of justice and the general welfare."

WOMAN NEAR DEATH; GAS TURNED ON

A young woman giving the name of Miss Sibyl Lawrence, but said to be Mrs. Sibyl Farcham, was found unconscious from illuminating gas at No. 158 West Brookline street to-day.

The police of the East Dedham street station say she has been despondent because of trouble with her landlady, Mrs. Maud Mead, who had ordered her to give up her room to-day. Mrs. Mead reported to the police that the young woman made a disturbance in the house last night.

The woman was found lying, fully dressed, on her lounge, and nearly dead from the effects of gas. The gas jet was partly turned on. Door and windows were tightly closed. The room was littered with scraps of letters torn up by the young woman. James Scammon and Delbert J. Jones, lodgers in the house, who smelled gas and entered the young woman's room, probably saved her life by prompt action in securing help and having her sent to the City Hospital. Oxygen and strychnine were administered. The hospital physicians say she will recover.

Miss Lawrence is twenty years old. She came to Mrs. Mead's last April and secured occasional work in South End restaurants and in a five and ten-cent store in the shopping district. She had letters from Maine which were later found, the police say, to be from a man named Farnham. The police are trying to locate Farcham now in Maine.

BOY SET FIRE.

AMHERST, Dec. 29.—Caroline Stebbins's house and barn, at South Amherst, have been destroyed by fire set by a boy, a State ward, who lived with Mrs. Stebbins and who was playing with matches. The loss is $2,000.

CHADWICK TO PRISON TO-DAY; BAIL FOR WIFE?

By Boston American Leased Wire.

NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—Dr. Leroy Chadwick will be arrested to-day as he steps from the steamer Pretoria, if, indeed that vessel has not been delayed by the storm. The requisition papers have been granted, and the husband of the Queen of Finance will be taken at once to Cleveland.

Meanwhile a syndicate has offered $40,000 bail for Mrs. Chadwick, who is still in a cell in Cleveland. It is hardly probable that this bail will be accepted.

Andrew Carnegie, whose name was forged to paper representing more than $25,000,000 in this great swindle, is of the opinion that Mrs. Cassie L. Chadwick will serve a long term in the penitentiary. He has expressed this opinion to E. M. Bigelow. The steel king is amazed at the success of Mrs. Chadwick.

A psychological study of Mrs. Chadwick by Dr. Allen Starr Hamilton, the alienist who testified in the trial of Guiteau, the assassin of Garfield, and also examined Czolgosz for the state, declares that she is not insane, but is the product of twentieth century "high" finance.

UNANIMOUS FOR CITY OFFICERS

Republican members of the Common Council met in caucus and voted to indorse the Democratic ticket for officers for the City Council. The latter are City Clerk Donovan, Clerk of Committees Durer, City Messenger Leary, Council Clerk O'Kane and President Dolan.

FREEDOM FOR NAN PATTERSON NOW IN SIGHT

Bail of $50,000 Offered, but Girl May Go on Own Recognizance.

FATHER FEARS INSANITY

By Boston American Leased Wire.

NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—Nan Patterson will not be tried again for the murder of "Caesar" Young for several months at least. She may never have to face the court again on this charge. Meanwhile she will live at the Tombs and have the first taste of liberty she has known for seven months.

These conclusions are fairly deductible from developments in and about the District Attorney's office. It has been quietly understood, since the disagreement of the jury, that the District Attorney and Abraham Levy, chief counsel for the accused, that there was no prospect of a new trial in the near future. This, in the judgment of well-informed persons, means that there will be no new trial at all.

Nan Patterson's release on bail at an early date was virtually assured by telegraphic confirmation from Fairmount, W. Va., of the report that three wealthy men of that town had offered to become her bondsmen in any united sum up to $50,000. Where bail in any reasonable amount is thus assured, there is a possibility also that Nan Patterson will be released on her own recognizance. This question came up at a conference between Mr. Rand and Mr. Levy.

Nan Patterson's father fears the girl is going insane.

"She is broken down completely," he said. "My little girl is a physical and mental wreck, and I am afraid that her mind is giving away under this dreadful strain.

"She is worse than she was when she collapsed after hearing of the jury's disagreement. I have sent for our family physician."

BULLS BOOM PRICES; COPPER STOCKS RISE

Boston stock market bulls boomed prices to-day, and a wild speculation in copper shares followed the marking up of prices. The strength of the metal market and the increase of $1 in the Osceola dividend rate furnished the incentive for the day's operations.

The market was more buoyant than it has been for weeks, and heavy gains were made by the leading copper issues, Calumet & Hecla rising 15 points, Tamarack 5, Copper Range 2¼, Osceola 2 and Amalgamated 1½. Many of the lesser issues secured gains of 1 point or over.

The Wall street tone was buoyant and the speculation active. Amalgamated and the Steel issues were leaders there.

BOSTON STOCKS.

	Opening.	1 p.m.
Adventure	10¼	10¼
Allouez	40½	42
Amalgamated	79¾	81¼
Am. Ag. Ch.	27	27¼
Am. Ag. Ch. pfd	90	90
American Telephone	140	144½
American Woolen	27	28
American Woolen pfd	90	90
Arcadian Mining	22	23
Atlantic	17½	18
Bingham	45	45
Bingham	28	28
Boston & Albany	253	253
Boston & Maine	215	215
Boston Elevated	138	140
Centennial	23	23½
Copper Range	65¾	67½
Dominion Coal	71	71½
Dominion Coal pfd	97	97
Franklin	11	11½
Granby	70	70
Isle Royale	25¾	25¾
Mass. Gas	90½	90½
Mass. Gas pfd	89½	90
Mexican	30	30
Mohawk Coal	65¾	65¾
N. Y., N. H. & H	190	190
Old Dominion	27½	28
Osceola	70	72
Parrot	39½	39½
Pullman	220	220
Quincy	150	150
Shannon	7¾	8
Shaw Machinery	60	60
Shaw Machinery pref	104	104
Tamarack	170	175
Trinity	11	11
U. S. Steel	34¾	35¼
U. S. Steel pref	91¾	92
United Fruit	96¼	96¾
United Fruit pref	94	94
U. S. Mining	25½	25½
U. S. Mining pref	74	74
Utah	42¾	43
Victoria	4	4¼
Winona	12½	13
Wolverine	105	105

NEW YORK STOCKS.

	Opening.	1 p.m.
Amalgamated Copper	79¾	81¼
American Car & Fdy	36¾	36¾
American Car & Fdy pref	90	90
American Smelting	92¾	94¾
American Smelting pref	104	104
Anaconda	49¾	50¾
Atchison	87¾	87¾
Atchison pref	101¾	101¾
Baltimore & Ohio	107¾	107¾
Brooklyn Transit	75¾	75¾
Canadian Pacific	175¾	175¾
Chesapeake & Ohio	45¾	45¾
Chicago, Great West	23¾	23¾
Colorado Fuel & Iron	37¾	37¾
Consol. Gas	203½	204
Erie	37¾	37¾
Erie 1st pref	71¾	71¾
Louisville & Nashville	122¾	122¾
Metropolitan	137¾	137¾
Missouri Pacific	97¾	97¾
Mo., K. & Texas	32¾	32¾
Mo., K. & Texas pref	70¾	70¾
New York Central	134½	134½
Norfolk & Western	71¾	71¾
Pennsylvania	140¾	140¾
People's Gas	105¾	105¾
Reading	87¾	87¾
Rock Island	27¾	27¾
Rock Island pref	57¾	57¾
Southern Railway	31¾	31¾
Texas Pacific	31¾	31¾
Toledo, St. L. & W.	23¾	23¾
Union Pacific	107¾	107¾
U. S. Leather	11¾	11¾
U. S. Rubber	19¾	19¾
U. S. Steel pfd	94¾	94¾
Wabash	17¾	17¾

BOSTON GIRL FINDS BROTHER

BURLINGTON, Vt., Dec. 29.—Twelve-year-old Catherine O'Connell, of Boston, has located her brother Jeremiah, from whom she has been separated three years. They are orphans and were adopted into different families from the Harrison Avenue home in Boston.

A letter from the little girl to Chief of Police Russell, of this city, asking him for information of her brother, was printed in the newspapers December 2. A woman in Middlebury read the letter and knowing of a boy by that name in Proctor found that he is the long-lost brother. He is going to Boston to see her as soon as he can.

BILL WILL CUT SCHOOL BOARD TO 7 MEMBERS

LEGISLATIVE MEASURE FILED TO-DAY SEEKS TO HAVE TRUSTEES APPOINTED BY MAYOR.

To reduce the number of members of the School Board to seven, of whom two shall be women, and of whom none shall be under thirty years of age, and to have such members appointed by the Mayor and not elected, age the principal features of a bill filed to-day with the clerk of the House of Representatives by Representative-elect J. Bernard Ferber.

Mr. Ferber declares that there is need of legislation to make the school system of the city of Boston, and some of the provisions of his bill are as follows:

"The school committee of the city of Boston shall be known hereafter as the school trustees and shall consist of seven trustees, at least two to be women. They shall constitute a board and shall have charge of a department of the government of the city of Boston to be known as the school department. Said trustees shall be citizens of Boston, not less than thirty years of age, and shall be appointed by the Mayor, subject to confirmation by the Board of Aldermen.

"Beginning in the year 1906 two of the trustees shall be appointed for terms of five years, two for four years, two for three years and one for two years, each term to begin on the first day of May of said year, on the expiration of any term a trustee shall be appointed for a term of five years, beginning on May 1 of the year in which such expires. Any vacancy occurring shall be filled by appointment as aforesaid for the remainder of the term.

"Any employee of the School Committee who shall lose employment or whose term of office shall be affected by the provisions of this act, 1905, without civil service examination or enrollment, be appointed to a position by the city of Boston having the same or less compensation attached thereto.

"This act shall take effect so far as the appointment of trustees be concerned, on the first Monday in January, 1906, and shall take full effect on May 1, 1906. The members of the school committee on December 31, 1905, shall continue to be such members until May 1, 1906, on which day all said members shall cease to hold office."

CITIZENSHIP PROVED; MAYOR WON'T CONTEST

Marlboro's Chief Executive Withdraws Charge Against His Successor.

Mayor Fred R. S. Mildon of Marlboro has withdrawn his petition for a writ of mandamus to prevent Mayor-elect Henry Parsons from taking office on the ground that General Parsons is not a naturalized citizen of the United States. The Mayor elect having proved to Judge Braley, of the Supreme Court, that he was naturalized in New York in 1885.

General Parsons presented papers showing him to be a naturalized citizen, and after telephoning to Attorney-General Pickman established the fact that these papers corresponded with the papers, Judge Braley allowed Mayor Mildon to withdraw his petition.

COLDER AND FAIR, SAYS THE WEATHER MAN

Mercury Still Persists in Pursuing Its Downward Flight.

Weather predictions for Boston and Massachusetts are fair to-day and Friday. Fresh westerly winds are blowing, but will diminish toward night. The temperature will remain below freezing all day and will be from 20 to eighteen degrees to-night.

At 8 o'clock to-day the temperature stood at 26 degrees in Boston. The coldest point in New England was at Northfield, Vermont, where it was 10 degrees above zero. At Block Island it was 28 degrees, this being the warmest point within fifty miles of Boston. The weather is generally fair throughout the country.

It will be colder in Eastern Maine and interior Connecticut, with fresh westerly winds.

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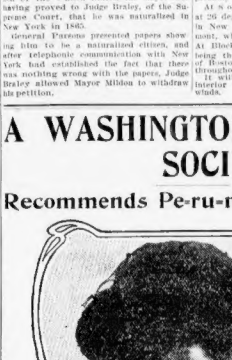

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In the very rare cases where Peruna does not relieve at once, write at once to Dr. Hartman, giving a full statement of your case, and he will be pleased to give you his valuable advice gratis.

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FEAR PLOT IN DEATHS OF TWO WOMEN IN BLACK

New York Police See Hand of Insane Man or Secret Organization.

THIRD WOMAN IS MISSING

By Boston American Leased Wire.

NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—Impossible as it may seem, the police of this city are inclined to connect the woman in black found Monday apparently frozen in the snow in Riverside drive, with another woman, also in black, who was found dead at the bottom of a tenement house air shaft at No. 12 Delancey street. Both women were found with broken necks.

In both cases previous to the finding of the dead woman, there has been as yet an unidentified man, who had either accompanied the woman, or was known as having been about the neighborhood.

The two women were about the same height, and there are many remarkable points of resemblance between the two victims as to features and form.

They are so startling in their points of similarity that the greatest distinguishing feature between the two is that one had brown hair and the other black.

Some of the police were willing to express the opinion to-day that the death of the two young women could be traced to a single source. One of the men at work on the case who gave this as his opinion would not say whether he thought it to be the work of a secret organization or that of an individual, evidently insane.

To add to the mystery, there is another woman of about the same description who has been missing from her home for the last three weeks. This is Mary Schwartz, a young woman, twenty-two years old, for whom the police have been searching without success.

ECZEMA ON LITTLE GIRL

Sleepless Nights for Mother and Awful Suffering of Child.

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Had Given Up All Hope of Ever Making Any Cure.

"My little girl has been suffering for two years or more from eczema, and during that time I could not get a night's sleep, as her ailment was very severe.

"I had tried so many remedies and spent much money, deriving no benefit, I had absolutely given up all hope of making any cure. But as a last resort I was persuaded to try one of the Cuticura remedies, and to my great delight a marked change was manifested from first application. I gave the child a bath with Cuticura Soap, using a soft piece of muslin cloth, and dried the parts by patting with them following with the Cuticura Ointment, as the time came for the Resolvent, according to directions. One box of the Ointment and two bottles of the Resolvent, together with the Soap, effected a permanent cure. I submit this for publication if you desire, hoping it will add to your success and assist so many thousands of sufferers in curing themselves." MRS. E. B. JONES, Accomac co., Va.

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COULTHURST SCORES GAS COMMISSION

Enthusiastic Meeting in Brighton for 80-Cent Gas—Urges Revocation of Charter.

TRUST'S ENORMOUS PROFIT

"The iniquitous, I might say criminal, charter which it is proposed to lease to the Boston Gas Companies under the grant of the Legislature of 1903, is chargeable to the Gas Commissioners, whom I believe are responsible," declared Hon. John A. Coulthurst before a large meeting of the Farenil Improvement Association, held in the Farenil Chapel on Brooks street. The meeting was held for the purpose of arousing public interest in 80-cent gas, as proposed by Mayor Collins and the BOSTON AMERICAN.

"Kill the charter and prevent the consummation of the deal whereby the citizens of Boston will be held down to $1 gas for generations to come," was the slogan raised by a speaker and taken up by the citizens present. Other adopted measures to agitate the subject among representatives to the General Court and members of the City Council.

President John W. Harvey called the meeting to order and introduced ex-Representative John A. Coulthurst, of Roslindale, president of the United Council of Improvement Associations of the city.

Dollar Gas an Iniquity.

"One dollar gas is an iniquity," said he. "Last year the companies made many millions of their gas from the Pipe Line Company and should have paid twenty-five cents per thousand feet for it furnished at their distributing plants, while two-thirds of the money received went into their coffers and surplus. In Lynn and Lowell, where gas costs more to distribute, they pay but ninety cents, and in Lynn last year the selling price was 90 cents. Dividends paid out of the seven Boston gas companies last year was $1,200,000, a net return of fourteen per cent profit. Gas on the very face of it they can afford to sell gas cheaper.

"The Gas Commissioners have declared that an equitable rate would be a fair one on the basis of their $30,000,000 capitalization and when $25,000,000 in dividends last year. In January, 1903, the Gas Commissioners recommended a consolidation of the gas companies for the purpose of getting out companies for the purpose of getting out of the deplorable condition that resulted from the high dividends of Addicks, Whitney and the Standard oil crowd as they are called. The New England Gas & Coke Company was to sell gas to the various companies and in order to make the passage of this State the shrewd gas men formed a voluntary association and the Attorney issued bonds for $35,000,000 for the Gas and Coke Trust to cover what the Gas Commissioners officials valued at $25,000,000.

"Instead of taking value of the capitalization the Gas Commissioners proceeded to take a line of the property, the which according to the companies' books are $22,500,000.

Public Has Been Sold Out.

"If this consolidation is allowed to go through you are going to have a half dozen companies who control the gas situation absolutely and make a contract with themselves without any restrictions of any kind. With an increased capitalization, they can put their increase in their capital stock as much point without giving anything in return.

"We have Gas Commissioners who are supposed to protect the interests of the people and supposed to recommend laws protecting the people, but in reality acting for the gas companies, and unless the public authority really intervenes, the laws that have been made are one threatened with a mortgage of $35,000,000 for consolidation.

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"The Gas Commissioners were appointed to protect the public in its dealings with the gas companies, but in reality acting for the gas companies. On the contrary, the Gas Commissioners have served as catspaws to aid the gas owners and the gas trust in handicapping the people of this city.

"I believe that the Gas Commissioners should be given more power, however, that they should have power to prevent a treasurer from paying excessive dividends to a company, such as that 25 per cent dividend recently paid. Here is the Amalgamated Gas Company paying a 15 per cent, dividend, consolidations should be made or the power to take the initiative, so that when they find a company paying such excessive dividends they could order a reduction in the price of gas."

PLEA FOR NEW RIFLE RANGES

As earnest plea for suitable rifle ranges for the use of the State militia is made by Colonel James G. White, Inspector-general of rifle practice, in his annual report to Governor Bates. "The range problem," he says, "is the key to the entire situation. If the State is to have any standing in marksmanship provision must be made for suitable accommodation for practice."

NO POLAR LAND, SAYS SCIENTIST

Special to the Boston American.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 29.—Robert S. Woodward, president of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, Dr. J. W. Spencer, has changed his mind about there being land at the North Pole, that the polar pack is in reality at sea.

In connection with his theory, he said: "When Dr. Nansen discovered the deep polar basin 300 to 400 miles wide, north of Siberia, it was proof that no land was to be expected resting out on the north of the continental shelf on the American side should be reached. Accordingly, no probable land whatever should be expected at the pole, nor is there any reason to hope to reach a volcanic cone."

PLYMTONS WANT GAMES.

The Plymton basket-ball quintet would like to arrange games with teams averaging 125 pounds. J. Brown, No. 13 Lacoda street, city, is manager.

DEATH OF BROOKLINE MAN DUE TO PACT OF SUICIDE

MAN WHO DIED IN PACT AND HIS WIFE.

Orestes Weed, Companion Says, and He Had Agreed to Die Together by Poison.

When Orestes A. Weed, of Brookline, took the morphine which caused his death at the Grand Union Hotel, New York, he was accompanied by another man, who was Benjamin J. Riley, of Springfield. Such is the story told Coroner Scholer by Riley, whose condition was discovered in time to save his life.

Weed's wife is in New York, awaiting the performance of an autopsy and will then arrange for the burial of her husband's body. So young to leave and their married life short, Weed's babies, one thirteen months old and one born only five weeks ago, are crying themselves sick at the Hotel Empire, No. 1171 Boston street, Brookline, where Weed lived.

The deceased was a brother of Mrs. Sprague, the wife of the war Governor of Rhode Island, and under a cloud in the affairs which there were a number of tragedies in the last few years, including

Riley's story, as told to the coroner, is as follows:

"Chums Since Boyhood."

"Weed and I have been chums since boyhood. We knew each other well, and when we became older we separated and met only occasionally.

"We met each other at least three or four times a year, and last Sunday we happened to meet in Boston. We chatted for some time and told each other of the trials we had encountered during the past six months. Both of us had met with poor success and we were both what you may term, as down and out.

"Neither of us had anything that gave any promise, and we were down-hearted. We were running, but I do not know, our talk drifted to suicide, and one of us proposed it could tell which one—that we should commit suicide together. Both of us agreed, and then we made preparations to die.

"We left Boston and came to this city. We went immediately to the Grand Union Hotel, where we registered and were assigned to a room. We discussed the best method of ending our lives, and it was finally decided to take morphine.

Got Poison in Drug Store.

"We left the hotel late in the afternoon together and went to a drug store, where we purchased the poisons. We were to die that night, but one of us proposed to put it off for a few hours. We had some money and we decided to spend that before we died.

"Then, too, we were very nervous. We thought that we might get a limited seat at one of the theatres and also drank heavily. We went to our room last night shortly before midnight, and each took a dose of morphine.

"I am now awfully sorry that I tried to die. I want to live, and in the future will do my best to earn my living. I am awfully sorry to face Weed's wife, for he was a nice fellow and was married and had two children."

Neither Mrs. Weed nor Mrs. Sprague could offer any reason for the suicide.

Weed's career was such as to omit him for the attainment of fame, but he had never been obliged to earn his living until very recently. He had been furnished with money by Mrs. Sprague and another sister, who is the widow of Colonel Morris Wentworth, of Washington. He was born in Washington forty-three years ago and was a graduate of Cornell. He was something of a reporter once and was fond of amateur theatricals. Where he met Riley is not known, and the acquaintance between their ages is such, Weed being thirty-two and Riley nineteen, that doubt is thrown on Riley's statement that they were lifelong friends.

Weed was employed last Spring, soon after he established his family at Brookline, by the Nathaniel Tufts Meter Company, of Boston. His position was not highly remunerative, as the understanding with the company was that he would entire all the factory and work his way up. The treasurer of the company in Boston said at the time he went that Weed worked diligently and showed great aptitude, but a few weeks ago he gave up the place. He had not had any other employment.

Weed met his wife, who was Miss Katherine A. Defoushee, of Hillsboro, N. C., at Chanonchet, the Summer home of Governor and Mrs. Sprague, near Narragansett Pier in 1902. The young Southern woman was one of the retaining belles at the Pier. Weed and she fell in love, and in January, 1903, were married at Providence.

Another of Weed's sisters married William Sprague, son of Ex-Governor Sprague, with whom she eloped. Domestic trouble developed soon after a child was born to them, and young Sprague committed suicide at Denver, Col.

The third younger sister eloped from Chanonchet, but died soon after her marriage.

RILEY IS ONLY 19 YEARS OLD; SON OF SPRINGFIELD WIDOW

SPRINGFIELD, Dec. 29.—Benjamin J. Riley, who was found suffering from morphine poisoning with Orestes A. Weed, in the Grand Union Hotel, New York, is nineteen years old, and is the son of Mrs. Lizzie Riley, who keeps a lunch room at No. 30 Cypress street. He went to New York a week ago to spend the holidays. He had worked in several places, but for some time had been out of employment.

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WOMAN HELD IN CHADWICK-LIKE MONEY TANGLE

Mrs. Bergin, of New Haven, Gave Checks, Which Were Refused.

CASE ON IN JERSEY CITY

NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—Jersey City has a "frenzied finance" case. The woman in the case is Mrs. Alvina Bergin, whose husband, Dr. Thomas Bergin, is one of the most widely known men in New Haven, Conn. She has been indicted by the Hudson County Grand Jury for obtaining money by fraudulent checks.

Mrs. Bergin was arrested in New Haven and taken to Jersey City, accompanied by a maid and two children. After a conference with Chief of Police Murphy she was taken to the county jail. The maid and children went with her. Mrs. Bergin received messages from several prominent men in Jersey City, saying they would go her bail.

Michael Day arranged to go on her bond and she was released on $2,000 bail. Immediately after her release, Mrs. Bergin, her maid and the children returned to New Haven.

When she made a statement in which she said her husband had neglected her, forcing her to borrow money.

"All of the checks that I got money on," she added, "will be honored. I have securities in the Lincoln Trust Company, in Manhattan, that will be available January 1.

Mrs. Bergin, several years ago, inherited a large sum of money from her father, Thomas Goddard. She kept an account with the Lincoln Trust Company, in Manhattan, and the Hudson County Bank, in Jersey City.

On a recent visit in Jersey City she indorsed friend's notes, personal checks in amounts from $100 to $1,000. These checks were drawn on the Lincoln National Bank in New York. When they were presented, it was found Mrs. Bergin's account had been closed. This was the case with a score of checks.

LABOR NEWS

ALLIED PRINTING TRADES UNION COUNCIL BOSTON, MASS. 96

Frank C. McDonough has defeated Thomas J. Ryan for business agent of Waiters' Union No. 80. The contest for this office was one of the most interesting ever held by Local No. 80. The election was a record-breaker, 1,186 ballots being cast.

Cornelius J. Donovan is the new president. Other officers chosen are: First vice president, Frank Farrell; second vice president, William Wilson; financial secretary, Dennis Collins; inspector, James Ward; liberalian, Whit McConnell; joint executive board, Dr. C. Harding, C. J. Donovan, F. C. McDonough, Edward Chick, the retiring president, and John H. Benson looked after the balloting.

COOKS THANK AMERICAN.

Cooks' Union No. 228, at its meeting in Homestead Hall, unanimously passed a resolution thanking the BOSTON AMERICAN for the assistance it has rendered in this column in preparing for the annual culinary exhibition and ball to be given by the union in Copley Hall, January 17. The resolution passed is as follows:

Whereas, In recognition of the great assistance which HEARST'S BOSTON AMERICAN has rendered us in preparing for our coming culinary exhibition and ball to be given January 17, 1905, in Copley Hall, be it

Resolved, That the hearty thanks of Cooks' Union No. 228 be tendered that newspaper.

CARMEN ARE SATISFIED.

It was reported at the meeting of the Big State Lodge, Brotherhood of Railway Carmen, that the members of the lodge employed on the South Bay district of the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad have had their local differences satisfactorily adjusted, and J. R. Fitzgerald, a member of the brotherhood, had been appointed assistant foreman.

The newly-elected officers will be installed a week from Sunday.

TEAMSTERS' AGREEMENTS.

The 1905 agreements to be submitted to the employers by the Gloucester and Chelsea teamsters have been indorsed by the Team Drivers' District Council.

The council, at its meeting at No. 45 Eliot street, also completed plans for a thorough organization of all team drivers in Boston and vicinity. A committee will be sent into the field shortly for this purpose.

The new monthly button of the News boys' Union was indorsed by the council.

LOSE VALUED MEMBER.

Pattern Makers' Association has passed resolutions of regret on the death of Brother F. E. Dowlin, of South Boston. Mr. Dowlin, a native of Claremont, N. H., was for 15 years a member of the union and organization, and his genial personality will be missed.

At next Wednesday night's meeting a report of the draft will be made on international constitutional amendments. One application for membership is now received.

K. OF L. CONVENTION.

District Assembly, No. 30, K. of L., organized, will hold its annual convention Jan. 22 in Roughan's Hall, City square, Charlestown. Master Workman John Hopkins will preside.

District Secretary-Treasurer John Regan's report will show the status of the organization to be in a flourishing condition.

LABOR NOTES.

Plasterers Union No. 10 made further arrangements for the ball February 10 in the Fellows Hall. The newly elected officers will be installed at that time.

Cooks' Union No. 80 will hold its postponed meeting in Homestead Hall, Dover street, Wednesday night.

Officers will be elected to-night by Stonecutters Union No. 37 at its meeting.

Market and Commission House Teamsters' Union meets to-night.

FAMILY AWAY; THIEF GOT $265

The police of the Dudley street station are searching for a burglar who, by means of false keys, entered the apartment of Barrett Robinson, No. 4 School street, Dorchester, and stole $65 in money and jewelry to the value of $200. The break was made while Mr. Robinson was at work. Mrs. Robinson is visiting in the West.

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The policy issued insures the reader against accidental death or injury to the eyes, hands or feet. The policy is for $100. It is good for a year and is free. It is issued by special arrangement with the United States Casualty Company of New York to the readers of the Hearst Sunday newspapers.

For the loss of life $100 is guaranteed; for the loss of both eyes, $50; for the loss of both hands, $50, and for the loss of both feet, $50.

In every BOSTON SUNDAY AMERICAN will be found a free coupon, which will entitle you to the policy. In order to avail yourself of the chance to get $100 worth of insurance free you only have to cut out the coupon, fill it out in ink and mail it with ten cents in money or stamps, for registration and postage, to "Free Insurance Policy, Hearst's Sunday Newspapers, P. O. Box No. 1641, New York City."

The policy will then be mailed to your address. All you have to do after registration is to cut the coupon from the paper each Sunday and save it. Each coupon insures you for the ensuing week. In case you are injured you must mail the coupon for that week, with a statement of the case to the United States Casualty Company, No. 141 Broadway, New York. The insurance is available to every reader of the BOSTON SUNDAY AMERICAN between the ages of sixteen and sixty-five.

E. D. JORDAN WAS A SANTA CLAUS

PLYMOUTH, Mass., Dec. 29.—Mr. and Mrs. Eben D. Jordan gave their annual Christmas festival to the children of their country estate, "The Forges," and the village.

First there was an entertainment, consisting of moving pictures, Punch and Judy show and music. After a huge Christmas tree, laden with gifts, was discussed. Mr. and Mrs. Jordan are entertaining a large house party from Boston and Philadelphia, and they assisted her in entertaining the little ones. At the close of the evening three cheers were given for Mr. and Mrs. Jordan.

Winter in California

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LOST AND FOUND.

LOST.

On Tuesday evening, Dec. 20, a lady's fur hat, trimmed with large white feather. Finder will be rewarded by returning same to 1 Dix place, off Tremont street, Boston.

LOST—Last evening, Dec. 28, on Boylston st., near Mount Lenox gate, cowhide containing $50. Finder will be rewarded by returning same to A. L. PING, Christopher Motel, Boston.

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MEDICAL.

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WILL HAVE TO CONQUER HART BEFORE LIMIT

By Boston American Leased Wire.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 29.—When Marvin Hart and Jack Johnson meet at the opening of the new year, the latter agrees to stop the Southerner before twenty rounds. The men have come to terms and only await to sign the articles, which will probably be done some time this week. They will divide the "gate" on a 60 and 40 per cent. basis, and if Johnson does not make Hart quit inside the limit he will get the short end, even if he outshines Hart in every particular.

PENN LEADS AT CHESS

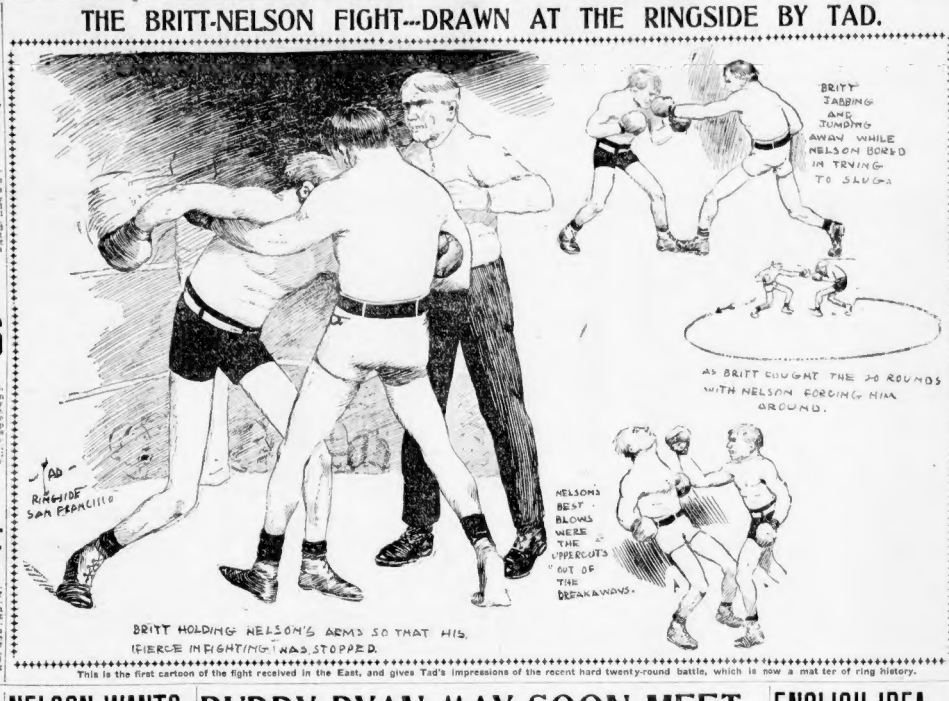
By Boston American Leased Wire.

NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—Pennsylvania, with 11½ points, leads at the conclusion of the first round of the annual tourney of the Triangular College Chess League. Brown is second with one point, while Cornell, holder of the trophy, brings up the rear with one-half point. The players meet in the following order to-day: Johnston, Pennsylvania, vs. Burton, Brown; Darling, Cornell, vs. Van Arsdale, Brown; Mitchell, Cornell, vs. Kirkpatrick, Pennsylvania.

AMATEUR MEET CALLED OFF

Because of the lack of entries, the Riverside Boat Club of Cambridge has called off its meeting for to-morrow night. President Cultnane is thoroughly disgusted with the amateur boxing games, as he says that the only way a large entry list can be secured is by paying the so-called "Simon Pures." He says that a number of the boxers laughed when they were told that watches were to be awarded the winners, and rather than encourage professional boxing in an amateur guise, the meeting was called off.

THE BRITT-NELSON FIGHT—DRAWN AT THE RINGSIDE BY TAD.



This is the first cartoon of the fight received in the East, and gives Tad's impressions of the recent hard twenty-round battle, which is now a mat ter of ring history.

LOCAL FENCER WOULD MEET MERIGNAC

The champion fencing master of the world, Lucien Merignac, of Paris, who recently arrived in this country with hopes of getting matches on with our experts, will not have to look far for a bout, as Alexander Engel, of Cambridge, is willing to take a chance on his claims among the champion fencers, although he gives the Frenchman all the credit that is due him.

In case Merignac is willing to meet the Cambridge man, the match will probably be staged at Cook Hall, Boston, where Engel has given a number of exhibitions.

Professor Engel defeated Merignac and himself are masters of the old French School of Fencing. During the only two times in the entire to-day who know that style of boxing, the battle for this reason that a match between Merignac and himself would be one of the hardest that has ever taken place, and would cause world-wide interest.

At the outbreak of the Spanish War Engel was secured by the United States government to instruct the officers of the second Regiment, United States Heavy Artillery, at Fort Adams, and out of nearly fifty exhibitions he turned out a number of pupils who are to-day classed among the top-notchers.

Professor Engel, the great Italian fencer, was decisively defeated by Engel on the "point in dispute" about four years ago. Each scored sixteen points while Cassidy was getting one. Engel has beaten a number of other men decisively whom Merignac has only been able to win from in a narrow margin. As far as records go the match appears to be very evenly matched.

"I am open to meet any man in the world at foils and sabres, both on foot and on horseback," said Engel to a BOSTON AMERICAN representative.

WINTHROP MAN WON THE RACE

By Boston American Leased Wire.

NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—In the skating races at the Claremont skating rink, William Smith, of Winthrop, Mass., won the Class A mile race in easy fashion. For the first half mile the field was fairly well bunched but Smith gritted his teeth, dug his skates hard in the ice and pushed to the fore.

PAIGE BEATEN BY THRESHIE AT BILLIARDS

By a grand finish, Charles Threshie, the amateur billiard champion, won the Class A, fourteen inch balk line billiard tournament at the Hub billiard parlors of Irving William Paige by a score of 300 to 285.

It was the final game in the tourney and both men were up for the lead, neither one having lost a game and on the result of their match hung this year's championship.

Threshie, the B. A. A. man, was a good favorite because of his past record, but the old campaigner who for fifteen years has held the highest honors in this section never had to work harder for a victory.

In Paige he found an opponent worthy his steel who played a remarkable up.

I game and was most dangerous when e end was in sight.

It was a match teeming with brilliant rallies and marvelous cue handling in which Paige more than outdid the champion and won the bigger proportion of applause from the large and deeply interested gallery. His wonderful balk-line work came fine to gaze upon and his careful steady game was what made him a factor of the important stage of the competition.

On the other hand Threshie's cleverness was always on top and his masse shot half the length of the table was a feature in itself, while his draw shots were nearly perfect.

Threshie started away in his usual startling style and counted a 26 and 32 inside of the first dozen breaks. He had a hundred points when Paige was rounding the quarter mark.

Then Threshie fell off decidedly, getting misses and small counts, while Paige, in his peg-away style, began to creep up, and passed Threshie when the latter stood 240.

But it was a short-lived advantage, as Threshie got down to business and corralled the ivories in his masterly way and went into the lead again.

They were tied at 285, and then began the nip and tuck battle in the stretch.

Paige was visibly affected by the strain and lost his chances, which were hard ones, as Threshie was leaving no easy set-ups.

The veteran pulled himself together for a last effort and ran the string out with a 16.

Threshie said after the match that he was much disappointed at his shooting, and asserted that his playing was off several notches, and his low average bore him out.

He did not wish to detract in the least from the excellent playing of Paige, who won the tournament last year, to whom he gave the greatest credit for making the final outcome so uncertain. The score:

Threshie—26, 5, 0, 0, 32, 0, 0, 0, 0, 2, 0, 8, 1, 0, 1, 0, 2, 6, 0, 1, 1, 0, 0, 1, 3, 0, 10, 2, 10, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 14, 14, 10—300. Average, 3 60-22; high run, 32.

Paige—2, 0, 2, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0

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AGAIN she heard the sound. It resembled the very cautious opening of a door, and it was a door adjacent to her own.

There were but three rooms upon that floor of the house, Harold's and Esther's, which had a connecting door between them, though this had been long since closed, and her own. Listening anxiously, it seemed to her that she could distinguish the heavy breathing of a man, and the uncertain footstep which she had come to associate with Harold.

So Harold was wandering about the house at night. Well, it was not to be wondered at—probably he was making his way downstairs in search of a fresh supply of his drug. Or perhaps he had attempted to refrain from it that night, and was suffering from sleeplessness in consequence. In all likelihood Lillian would soon hear the creaking of the stairs as he descended them.

She craned her ears to hear, but to her surprise the stertorous breathing continued unabated and as if in the same spot. In the prevailing stillness the smallest sound was audible. There followed a slight creaking noise as of a handle being very gently turned.

Suddenly Lillian sprang to her feet. A fear had come upon her—a fear for Esther.

She had flung open the door, flooding the landing without in unexpected light. There came a hoarse cry, almost a moan, and Harold started back from the door of his wife's room, which he was in the act of pushing open. He stumbled and nearly fell, then he turned a white face, distorted with rage, to Lillian.

"What are you about, woman?" he muttered. "How dare you interfere?"

"Esther must not be disturbed," said Lillian firmly. With a quick movement she interposed herself between Harold and the partially open door.

"Esther is my wife—you dare not prevent me going to her." He mumbled his words, and his eyes shifted uneasily from side to side. He seemed hardly able to stand upright. His face was ghastly to look upon.

"You disgust me," said Lillian, her mouth curling in scorn. "You have been drugging yourself again, and you are barely responsible for your actions. Go back to your room, man, and sleep it off."

He turned away from her, still muttering to himself. Lillian opened the door at Esther's room a little wider to make sure that her friend was sleeping peacefully; then of a sudden she realized the truth. The sweet, oppressive scent of the lurid pale fumes mounted to her nostrils; she recognized the perfume of the poisonous vapor.

For a moment she stood, overwhelmed with horror and disgust.

"So that—that is what you have done to Esther! You are poisoning her with your own foul drug. You brute—you brute." She could hardly find words in which to express her wrath.

The man turned, and he raised his hands helplessly to his head. "It is good," he muttered. "I would not give it to Esther unless it were good. Don't I know? Have not my troubles been greater than I can bear, and have I not cured them with good drug? He opened one of his hands—which had been clenched—and showed a curiously shaped, stoppered bottle.

With a quick downward blow, Lillian struck it from his grasp, and it fell shattered to the floor. Immediately the subtle perfume which she now knew so well began to diffuse itself in the air. Harold laughed hoarsely.

"It is potent," he said; "it gives off large volumes of vapor when released from its bottle. I am rather afraid you may find yourself affected unless you hurry away."

Lillian gasped. What had she done? If she herself became affected by the drug she could be of no assistance to Esther. She must act, and act at once. Luckily the landing was lofty and wide, opening directly upon the staircase; it was not as if the poison were diffused in a confined space.

Gathering her strength together, and mad with rage, she aimed a blow at Harold. She had not expected to have any effect, but, to her surprise, she saw him sink down upon his knees. He was probably already half-stupefied.

"You wretch," she repeated, breathlessly. "You vile thing." She was doing her best to hold her breath in order to inhale as little as possible of the fumes. Then she turned away from him and ran into Esther's room.

With feverish fingers she tore the heavy curtains of the windows apart, and flung open the windows themselves. Then she wrenched back the thick bed-hangings. Esther lay on her bed, pale and inanimate, but now the fresh air from without came streaming in upon her. Standing between bed and window Lillian felt that she would be able to resist the subtle poison. She took water and bathed Esther's forehead with it, but had little effect. Then she called to her friend, shaking her gently by the arm.

"Esther—Esther!"

The girl moaned faintly, but hardly moved. There was nothing to be done but to wait. The fresh air would presently revive her, and in the meanwhile Esther was safe. Lillian felt that as long as she herself could keep near the window she would not be overcome by the fumes. As soon as Esther could move she would hurry her from the room. She would have carried her, but she doubted her strength to face the staircase, and her own room was probably by now as full of the vapor as Esther's.

And presently she heard a sound which told her that Harold had crawled back to his own room. For the time being they were safe.

She must wait—but how terrible was the waiting!

Chapter CXXVII.

A New Abode.

"THANK Heaven!" cried Lillian, with a long sigh of relief, as she conducted Esther into the light and cheerful morning room of her own house; "thank Heaven. I have brought you away in safety!"

Esther sank down into an easy chair. She was very pale, and her limbs had been barely strong enough to support her for the few paces she had traversed on descending from the cab. Her hands fell listlessly to her side, and her heavy lids closed over her eyes.

"I can see that I shall have to take great care of you for the next few days," muttered Lillian, more to herself than to her companion, "for I shall have you getting seriously ill. And no wonder, after what you have gone through. I'll get you off to bed as soon as I can, and there you shall stay for a week if necessary."

She rang the bell sharply for her maid. It was still morning, and the household had not long been astir. Lillian had acted with speed and determination. She had not left Esther's side until the effects of the drug had worn off and the girl had struggled back to painful consciousness. No sound had come from Harold's room, and she had been to attempt at interference.

As soon as Esther was able to move Lillian had forced her to rise and had assisted her to dress. She was dazed, as she was told, moving as if still in a dream, and now and again complaining querulously of the pain in her head. The toilette had been a perfunctory one. "We must hasten," Lillian kept repeating. "Harold is still asleep. Later he might warn the servants and prevent you from going. There is no time to be lost."

"But what has happened?" asked Esther feebly.

"You have been drugged again. It was Harold himself who did it. He is mad—mad—"

"Harold? But why? Oh, I saw him in my dream. I saw him as he used to be. It was a beautiful dream, Lillian. Oh, why is the awakening so painful?"

"It is a horrible thing—an abomination. Harold has lost all sense of moral responsibility. He is seeking to drag you down with him. I am taking you away with me—taking you into safety. Don't let us talk about it now. I am afraid that the very walls may have ears. As soon as you are dressed we will start."

"But—but your own things, Lillian?"

"Never mind about them. The essential is to get you out of the house." Lillian had secured the paper she had been writing. She cared for nothing else.

It was nearly 3 o'clock when Esther was dressed, and then the two women stole softly down the broad staircase, Esther leaning heavily on her friend's arm. They met with no interference till they reached the hall, but here they found a maid. She looked at them in surprise, and when she realized that they were going out hastened to open the door.

"Mrs. Borrodaile is not feeling well"—Lillian thought it necessary to make some explanation—"and she thinks the air will do her good."

The maid asked if she could be of any assistance, and Lillian shook her head. No opposition was offered them, and they found themselves in Commercial street within a few minutes. Esther was indeed looking as if dazed; Lillian feared that she might faint.

Luckily a cab happened to pass, and in this way they were quickly driven to her house. Esther sat inert during the short journey, her eyes closed, her face drawn and haggard.

And so they reached Lillian's house in safety.

Clementine entered the room in response to Lillian's ring. She seemed intensely surprised to see her mistress and her mistress's guest.

"Madame," she cried, "but I am full of wonder! I expect you not for at least a week. And at this hour of the morning?" She glanced at Esther. "Oh, but it is Mrs. Borrodaile—I hope, madame, that she is not ill?"

Lillian gave her instructions quickly; Esther, she explained, was ill, had received a shock, and was prostrated by it. Clementine must assist in getting her off to bed. After that they would see.

Esther was indeed ill, and the days which followed were anxious days for Lillian. Soon after being put to bed the girl sank into unconsciousness, a condition which Lillian was inclined to greet with pleasure.

"When she awakens she will be better," was her inward comment.

But Esther was not better when she awoke. She was, indeed, in a highly delirious state, and Lillian, frightened, sent at once for a doctor.

The physician told Lillian of what she already knew. "Mrs. Borrodaile is very ill," he said, "and it has affected her brain. She must be kept very quiet, and nothing must be said or done to excite her, otherwise I will not answer for what may happen to Mrs. Borrodaile in staying with you as your guest, I presume, Mrs. Willoughby?"

"I brought her here this morning," said Lillian.

"Indeed? You have of course notified Mr. Borrodaile of his wife's illness?" The physician glanced at Lillian with a suggestion of disfavor in his eyes. He knew Mrs. Willoughby by repute, and did not think her a fitting companion for Mrs. Borrodaile.

"Mrs. Borrodaile has found it necessary to leave her husband's house with me—at least, for a short time," said Lillian with determination. Equivocation appeared to her to be useless. The step had been taken, and sooner or later she would know of it.

"Indeed?" Dr. Brooke had a knack of expressing very much in this one word. "That is probably the cause of her present trouble."

"No, it is not, doctor." Lillian spoke sharply, appreciating the physician's prejudice against herself. "I do not think myself justified in spanking of intimate family matters, but Mrs. Borrodaile had very good reasons for acting as she has done. It was, I assure you, necessary." Lillian paused. However, I need not explain that. For the present, at least, it is not advisable that these affairs should be discussed."

"Quite so," said the doctor. The circumstances, Mrs. Willoughby, you will recognize the necessity of informing Mr. Borrodaile of his wife's illness. If you neglected this I should feel it my duty to do so myself."

The doctor was quite right. Lillian was constrained to admit the fact to herself, but on words succeeded on alarming prostration, and Esther's condition showed no improvement; would Lillian be able to contest the claim which Harold Esther would assuredly be moved and yet not well enough to take her own part? Lillian had no choice. Motives except One, and they must, of course, be communicated at once. Also, Harold should be notified immediately; in all probability he would not dare to set himself in opposition to Lillian.

(TO BE CONTINUED.)

CHARMING SKATING COSTUMES FOR WOMEN—Described by Mrs. Osborn, creator of fashions for the fashionable women of America, in next Sunday's BOSTON SUNDAY AMERICAN.

QUEER FREAKS OF FASHION AT THE OPERA—Strange lads in scraps, gowns and jewels that have been adopted by women prominent in the 600 of New York and Newport, described and illustrated in next Sunday's BOSTON SUNDAY AMERICAN.

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MR. JACK

They Wouldn't Let Him Inspect the Flat-Iron Building

Justice for the Poor Should Be Guaranteed

By the Rev. Thomas B. Gregory

THE resolution of ex-Judge Dissette, of Cleveland, to devote the rest of his life to the giving of free legal advice to poor litigants, reminds us of a story that he's stuck to our memory for a long time.

Generations ago a stranger passing through a certain town in the Old World, noticed a very imposing looking structure, with an equally imposing monument on the grounds in front of it.

"May I ask," said the stranger to a passer-by, "what building that is?"

"That, sir," replied the person interrogated, "is the courthouse."

"And may I trouble you to ask what might be the name of the fine status there?" "It is the statue of Justice, sir," was the answer.

"The arrangement is a true and perfect one, sir," rejoined the stranger, "for wherever I have been about the world, and I have been about it much, I never yet found Justice inside the courthouse."

The Western ex-judge does not altogether corroborate the testimony of the ancient traveler, but he is not at all backward in telling us that it is a very difficult thing for the poor, at least, to find Justice in the temples that bear her name.

A rich man against a rich man stands some sort of chance, but a poor man against a rich man has no chance at all.

In the first place, the poor man may not be able to employ a lawyer, in which case his cause goes by default. The other fellow "claims everything," there is nobody present to decry the righteousness of the claim, and Justice gets a slap in the face that sent her weeping out of the temple that is dedicated to her name!

Or, the poor man may be able to hire only a weak lawyer, in which case he is beaten again. The abler attorney, prepared by his superior cunning to make the "worse appear the better reason," wins the verdict, and once more justice is hustled away empty-handed.

It is a very sad and shameful state of affairs!

There is nothing so beautiful in this old world, nothing so necessary to have done, as justice; and the obstruction of this justice is the pity of pities and the crime of crimes.

It is not my purpose to throw cold water upon the noble resolution of Judge Dissette. God bless him and keep him with us to a good old age, so that he may be able to befriend many a poor fellow who, without him, might suffer.

Without intending a word of discouragement to such philanthropic souls as this Western Judge, I would simply ask, Where is the necessity for anyone's being beaten out of his just rights in court?

What are the courts for if they are not for the establishment of this same holy justice that we are talking of?

The machinery of the law is worse than nothing, unless its sole and only object is to defend the right and to break down and destroy the wrong.

It is quite immaterial whether the Statue of Justice is in the courthouse, but it is absolutely essential that the spirit of justice be there, and there so staunch and strong that it shall be next to impossible for even the poorest and humblest man to be defrauded of his rights.

Every Judge should be—and I believe most Judges are—passionately anxious that the good cause shall win; and not only so, but determined that so far as blunders concerned that cause shall not be prevented from winning by clients' gold or attorneys' guile.

As to poor litigants, the question may well be asked: "Why is there not a better provision for the safeguarding of their rights?"

We know that in criminal cases the prisoner, if unable to hire counsel, will be given a lawyer by order of the Court, but in civil matters no such provision exists, and the man without money must plead his own cause or have no counsel whatever.

Now, why does not the State provide lawyers of character and ability to look after the cases of such people, and to see that they are not wronged?

A poor person may have a just cause, and I can conceive of no nobler arrangement than the one by which the poor man, with Justice on his side, should be provided with the able counsel that would stand by him to see justice vindicated.

Recipes

Oyster Pancakes

Take equal quantities of oyster juice and milk, put a pint of flour to a pint of the mixed liquor, two well-beaten eggs, salt to taste; then add oysters. Take a spoonful, drop into hot lard, and cook until brown.

Stewed Dates

Wash the dates, put them in a stewpan with a very little water and cook gently for about 15 minutes, or until the fruit is soft. No sugar will be required.

Liver Pates

For liver pates the liver of poultry are to be preferred, but when not available calves' liver may be used as a substitute. In any case saute and cut into fine dice, sprinkling with herbs and moistening very slightly with olive oil. Make "cups" of any good, rich paste and line with French pates. Put in the liver and bake till cups are done.

Beaten Biscuit

To one quart of sifted flour add one teaspoonful of salt, one tablespoonful of butter and one tablespoonful of lard, and mix into a stiff dough with sweet milk. Beat until the dough blisters, then roll out, cut about the size of a dollar and bake in a moderate oven.

HER SUITOR'S DANGER WON HER HEART—Romance of a noted American beauty who is eager to risk her life with the man she loves in the wilds of Morocco, in next Sunday's BOSTON SUNDAY AMERICAN.

By Ella Wheeler Wilcox

Science Says the Human Body Gives Off Colored Rays That Vary With One's Nature

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IT seems to be the work of science, these last few years, to prove that the assertions of the ancient seers of India and Egypt were true.

Something over ten years ago I remember listening to a lecture in New York by Anna Besant, of the Theosophical Society, upon "Astral Colors." She declared that one with open visions could detect the aura of individuals, and by the color of this aura could determine the moral and mental condition of each individual.

The very intellectual person, she said, gave forth a blue aura; one whose nature was full of goodness and love for all humanity, rose pink; the intensely passionate and violent, deep red; the depraved and depressed nature, brown or dark shades.

Many were the jests indulged in by the pamphlet and press reporter of Mrs. Besant's lecture, and the average comment of the press was jocular.

Now comes the Scientific Jill tumbling after the Spiritual Jack.

The following cablegram from London was received by the American exchanges recently:

The Lancet publishes a letter from Dr. Hooker on the results of three years' experiments with the Blondlots N-rays emitted by the human body. Dr. Hooker says he has established that these rays differ in color according to the character and temperament of a person, and also that the rays are not merely heat vibrations, as he proved by passing rays from his own hand through the forearm of a cornea on a prepared screen, which immediately showed increased luminosity. In reference to the differing colors of the rays, Dr. Hooker says:

"Disregarding from a very passionate man have a deep red hue. The violet keynote in life is to be good and to do good throws off pink rays; an unselfish man emits orange rays; a deep thinker throws off deep blue; a lover of art and refined surroundings, yellow; an anxious, depressed person, muddy brown rays; a devotional, good-meaning person, light blue; progressive minded, light green, and physically or mentally ill person, dark green rays."

Dr. Hooker admits that his statement may be received at first with a smile of incredulity, but he is confident it will sooner or later be accepted as a fact. He further says he has proved that N-rays are not only given off by the human body, but by objects which have been in contact therewith. He obtained this impression from a letter thirty years old, which proved that the rays are radioactive and retain their power on the paper on which writing is made.

The ancient Hindoos declared that mineral and vegetable matter was alive and endowed with a crude shutter life principle with which man is radiant—that all was a part of one complete unit.

Now comes Dr. Bose, professor of science in Calcutta University, who has published a scientific book, "The Response in the Living and Non-Living," and proves by his experiments with the galvanometer that metals are live and sensitive, anti can be made "sick" or even killed like human beings.

It is always the spiritual eye which first discovers great truths, and it is to be regretted that science is so unconscious that it never gives credit to the great spiritual pioneers after it has demonstrated the truth of their statements.

Meanwhile, now that the aura is a scientific fact and not a fairy story, it behooves us all to think about our own.

You who pay such minute attention to your outer garments, you who would be ashamed to appear in old clothes or tattered or soiled garments, what are you doing about your N-ray or your aura? Are you emitting dull-gray, muddy-brown or dark-green rays?

Perhaps you think it does not matter, since only those who are experimenting with scientific apparatus can detect your colors.

But remember the world is growing more sensitive to spiritual conditions year by year, and that you do not know at what day humanity may, with the aid of increased spiritual and scientific knowledge, arrive at the point where each man can see the color of the rays emitted by his neighbor, just as he sees the color of his eyes or his hair to-day.

Since the pink ray is the most to be desired, would it not be well for us to begin cultivating the qualities which produce it?

Especially as the color of these rays is flaming our lives for good or bad, happiness or misery, failure or success.

ELLA WHEELER WILCOX.

Advice to the Lovelorn

By Beatrice Fairfax

DEAR MISS FAIRFAX:

I am a girl seventeen years old, and a month ago I was introduced to a young man about twenty-two. He was handsome. I took to him then, and love him dearly now. I never thought any more of him until he met a friend of mine and made me his best regards, and I sent mine back. I have not seen him to speak to since, but he is always sending me his best regards and love, and Miss Fairfax, what I want to know is how can I tell if he cares for me and loves me, and how can I go about meeting him. I love him dearly.

Providence, R. I.

DO not let yourself think so much about him. If he cares for you, and I should think he did, he will arrange to see you, or will ask your permission to call. If he does not, there is nothing you can do to make him. It may be that you will not care quite so much for him in a few months, so I would be very careful what I said or did now.

DEAR MISS FAIRFAX:

What do you think of a young man that has been keeping company a lady for about six years and was engaged to her up to about three months ago was all that could be, who then met another young lady and gives up the first one without even giving her a reason, but simply breaking an engagement with her and breaking it and going with the second lady. He was engaged to the first young lady, and is engaged to the second one, so please tell me what do you think of both him and her?

INQUIRER.

I CANNOT understand why he should act in the way he has done. He is laboring under the impression that he has been wronged in some manner, and it is merely a fit of jealousy on his part. I should demand a full explanation from him, however, if he does come back to you, because it seems to me that if he loved you as he should, he would consider a long time before taking such a step. But until he does make some advance for forgiveness I should pay no attention to him, whatsoever.

DEAR MISS FAIRFAX:

I am a young man about thirty-two years old, and have been keeping company with a young lady twenty years of age for about two years. We had a "falling out" over a dispute about a month ago, and we haven't spoken since.

What I want to know is, how can I win her back again, as I love her very dearly, and she knows it, too.

Hoping you will help me, I remain,

ESTEY NEWTON.

Waltham.

IT must be entirely upon the young lady, as to whether you will be able to go back to her or not. You have no doubt discovered now how foolish it is to lose your temper over some trifle. I do not know which one of you were to blame for the quarrel, but if you cared for her, I think you should have used a little more self-control. Misunderstandings are sure to arise now and then, and if you are going to permit your anger to control your tongue there will be very little happiness in your life. Go to the young lady and ask her forgiveness, and if she will not have you back, make up your mind to do your part toward preventing useless and foolish quarrels.

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There is plenty of good entertainment at the local theatres this week. Nearly all the attractions offered are akin to comedy, and among them are some of the best before the public. The stars appearing are popular ones, and altogether times are very pleasant for theatregoers just now.

Boston Theatre.

"Way Down East" is still drawing at the Boston like a new show. There does not appear to be the slightest disposition in its popularity, and its interesting story and wholesome air keep it revived and up. Headed by just as large audiences as ever. It is one of the most attractive of all the plays of its type, and by many is considered the strongest. Its season here is limited, and it will be given at the Boston but one more week after the present.

Majestic Theatre.

Richard Carle has made a hit in "The Tenderfoot" at the Majestic Theatre and is entertaining large audiences with that mélange of music and nonsense. The Tenderfoot" is an excellent show. There is plenty to laugh at, there are many attractive musical numbers and the girls are pretty and dance with spirit. Mr. Carle is aided by a good backing of clever comedians and everything moves with pleasing briskness.

Colonial Theatre.

People will go to see Nat C. Goodwin no matter what kind of a play he has. Those who attend his performances at the Colonial this week find their journey rewarded, for in "The Usurper" he has a play which provides him with the opportunity to be all the things his friends like to see him. He has with him a very competent company and the performance is a decidedly enjoyable one.

Keith's Theatre.

There is a fine bill at Keith's this week, and one that is especially strong in attractions for the children, in this respect Woodford's animals, comprising some very intelligent monkeys and a tiny pony, will be honors. Bedini and Arthur's pantomimic comedy is making a hit, and Warren and Gardner, Jennie Yeamans, Howard and Bland, Paul Barnes, Juan Caicedo and Margaret Scott all contribute popular numbers.

Hollis Street Theatre.

The Rogers Brothers are crowding the Hollis at every performance. The present show, which takes them to Paris, is one of the best comedy shows they have ever had for the exploitation of their special brand of fun, and in one of the handsomest considered as a spectacle. The costumes are gorgeous and the stage settings have really beautiful. The company comprises many good funmakers and the chorus is exceedingly attractive.

Music Hall.

Ireland's "Own" Band is proving one of the strongest features that the management of Music Hall has offered since the opening of this house as a vaudeville centre. Its rendition of Irish airs and Irish music is imbued with the spirit of patriotism and every number is encored. The Irish dancing of Sheila Kell" and her brother has made a big hit. The vaudeville program as a whole is an excellent one.

Park Theatre.

Henry Miller is giving a play at the Park Theatre that is "something good to see and thoroughly enjoy, and then take home a little more," leaving one with a not obtrusive, and you do not have to think about it during the performance. What its force comes to you afterward. Without the play is very cleverly written, and it is admirably played by a more than usually competent company.

Globe Theatre.

"Superba" is delighting the children, both the little ones and the older ones, at the Globe this week. The Hanlons excel in providing this kind of a show and they have put their best efforts into the present production. "Superba" is full of surprises and the clowns do all kinds of odd and unexpected things. The Rainbow Ballet is a feature, and the scenic effects and the costumes are very handsome.

Tremont Theatre.

"The County Chairman" is still proving a potent attraction at the Tremont, and its interpreters have a clever lot to make an audience. It is an enjoyable play from start to finish, and George Ade has been very successful in using the characteristic features of American life. The characters are true to the types they represent and the humor of the play is natural and unforced. The presenting company is a splendid one.

Grand Opera House.

"Trocked Around the World" is making one of the biggest hits that has been had at the Grand Opera House this season. It is full of cartooning and nonsense from start to finish, and the interest of the audience is never allowed to lag. The style of the play takes the characters all the way around the world, and advantage is taken of this to present elaborate and striking scenic effects. Next week's attraction will be "A Race for Life."

Columbia Music Hall.

Watson's Orientals are furnishing one of

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"ROGERS BROTHERS IN PARIS" KEEP THEIR AUDIENCES IN A GALE OF LAUGHTER

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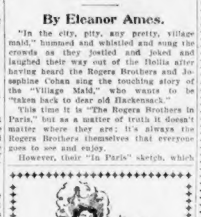
By Eleanor Ames.

"In the city, pity, any pretty, village maid," hummed and whistled and sung the crowds as they jostled and joked and laughed their way out of the Hollis after having heard the Rogers Brothers and Josephine Cohan sing the touching story of the "Village Maid," who wants to be taken back to dear old Hackensack.

This time it is "The Rogers Brothers in Paris," but as a matter of truth it doesn't matter where they are, it's always the Rogers Brothers themselves that everyone goes to see and enjoy.

However, their "In Paris" sketch, which



JOSEPHINE COHAN IN THE LION'S DEN.

is one of John J. McNally's typical vaudeville farces, gives them a capital vehicle for their own peculiar art.

For it is an art to be as entertaining as Max and Gus Rogers are.

There's a whirlwind of fun from the moment the brothers pop out of the punching machines at the Hal Bonilter in the Latin Quarter of Paris, until the curtain shuts them from view in the Hagenbach zoo at St. Louis.

"Slonch machines," as the Rogers brothers call them, occupy their attention in the first act, the sights of Paris and automobiles in the second act, and being lionels in lions' dens, in the last.

They stick their pointed little chin beards in each other's eyes the same as ever and talk literally "face to face."

Money and work are the topics of their

MAX AND GUS ROGERS IN ROGERS BROS. "IN PARIS."

first talk. Gus calls Max a "chenlus," and adds, "Do you know what a chenlus is?"

"Yes, I know," says Max, "a chenlus is a fish." Then they go over to some fortune telling machines at the side of the stage, drop in the "slonch" and read some remarkable prophecies from the grinning oracles.

At the back of the stage is a long line of booths. "Drop a nickel in the slot and get a show for your money," reads the sign.

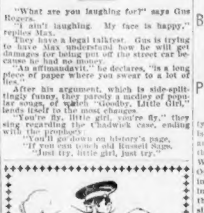
They do it, and a dozen pink clad legs, ending in saucy, pointed toe slippers appear, followed by a dazzlingly pretty chorus in flower-like gowns of pink and green.

Then Josephine Cohan, Bessie de Voie and Emily Nice will dash on and, with the Rogers Brothers and the chorus, sing "Belle of the Silvery Nile," running into a French cakewalk, followed by a "dance eccentric" by Mr. Young and Miss de Voie which is clever to a degree, and ending up with a "Yankee Land" song by the Rogers Brothers and the entire company.

Not an idle moment from the start, not a chance to close your mouth or rest your rubbers. Dash and go and fun every second.

Sing About Mrs. Chadwick.

The next act in the Garden of the Tuileries brings on a crowd of quarreling coachmen and John Conroy, who as P. Sarsfield Kelliher sings "McNabb" with a cabby chorus. Josephine Cohan also has a song, "In Society," with the chorus in ravishing gowns of pale yellow and dawn pink, combined with black lace butterflies, velvet girdles of black and bands of jet sequins.



FRANK C. YOUNG AS THE ANIMAL TRAINER.

Again and again the pair were called back.

"Old Mother Hubbard,
She went to the cupboard,
To get her little girl a dress;
When she got there
The cupboard was bare,
And so was the girl, I guess."

Send old and young into gales of laughter —and that, too, in Boston.

There are two other hits in the second act made by Frank Young and Bessie de Voie and a chorus as "American Minstrels in Paris" and the song, "Under the Old Oak Tree," which Dorothy Hunting and Georgie Austin Moore sing under a potted palm tree in full bloom which rolls mysteriously into full view and makes an effective background for them. With a mixup of water, bubbles and balloons, and the Rogers Brothers in the midst of it the second act ends.

When the curtain rises we're all in St. Louis and the Hagenbach animals have joined the cast, and the Rogers Brothers have devised contrasts to go with the Rogers Brothers as Bandels.

Each steps the other on. "You go," says Max to Gus. "You look like Daniel. He was a fat man with a little hat."

So they fight a duel with the French fire-eater and lion tamer, with whom they have been more or less at odds all the time, and kill the lion with a toy pistol, and they disappear for a moment while Mr. Moore and a pretty chorus sing "Pretty Lily."

When they come back, gone are the Bandels, and two screechy, with round, ruddy, shining faces appear. It's a fine table with its complexities which creates sympathy between themselves and the audience.

They are looking for a fast express which runs on Limited Time.

In schoolgirl frock of white and a pale blue blouse Miss Josephine Cohan joins them as "The Village Maid," and a schoolful of little girls with sashes, and you get some singing, "In the city, pity any pretty village maid."

"What are you laughing for?" says Gus Rogers.

"I ain't laughing. My face is happy," replies Max.

They have a legal talkfest. Gus is trying to have Max understand how he will get damages for being put off the street car because he had no money.

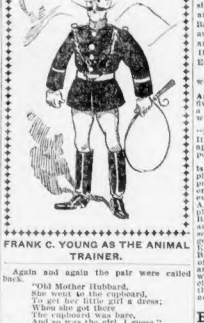
"An affronadavit," he declares, "is a long piece of paper where you swear to a lot of lies."

After his argument, which is side-splittingly funny, they parody a medley of popular songs, of which "Goodby, Little Girl," lends itself to the most changes.

"You're fly, little girl, you're fly," they sing, "Fly to the Hackensack Zoo," ending with the prophecy

"You'll go down on history's page,
"If you can touch old Russell Sage,
"Just fly, little girl, just fly."

"MY FACE IS HAPPY," SAYS MAX, AND SO IS THE CROWD WHICH HEARS.



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PLENTY OF GUN PLAY

For her deeply rooted and unholy faculty of getting into trouble, Miss Babe Folly is entitled to the grand prize and the gold and silver medals. Miss Babe Folly is the heroine of "Tracked Around the World," this week's play at the Grand Opera House, and for tumultuous "heroining" you can match her against any heroine that was ever thrown broadcast into the throes of a melodrama. There are six acts in "Tracked Around the World," and in every one of the six acts does Miss Babe fall into the power of the villains or villainess, without hope of rescue, and six times is she promptly rescued by Hickory Bill, a detective, assisted by Eddie Gates, a boy detective.

These rescues occur all around the world.

Things certainly do happen in "Tracked Around the World." Never do more than five minutes elapse without somebody pulling a gun, and several times there are people pulling them all over the stage.

If you enjoy a melodrama, you will enjoy "Tracked Around the World" to the limit. It sets the audience wild and is literally calculated to the echo. It would be an impossible task to tell you the plot.

The play is very elaborately staged and is really well acted. Georgie Mack, who plays the boy detective, has his part organized in larger type than anyone else on the programme, and is very much in evidence. He is certainly a big favorite. A. Byron Beasley plays Hickory Bill, and he has a good deal to do with Browning is the Babe, and displays a good deal of talent and really has material with force and re serve talent. Beatrice Golden makes a genuine hit in the character role of Hope Kate, Edmund Soraghan and Gertrude La Brandt honestly earn the ordeal dislike of the gallery as the two leading villains, and Maude Oliver plays the Parisienne who wins the heart of the boy detective very cleverly. Her accent is very like the real thing and very unlike the usual French accent of melodrama.

B. & M. WILL HAVE A TERMINAL DIVISION

A new division of the Boston and Maine railroad after January 1 will be known as the Terminal Division. George H. Folger, at present superintendent of the Union station, will be superintendent of the new division. The new Metropolitan Park bridge at Medford on the Western division, the Mystic bridge on the Eastern division and the Prospect bridge on the Fitchburg division will be the outward limits of the terminal division.

BOSTON COLLEGE SENIORS DANCE

An unusual large attendance was present at the annual reception of the senior class of Boston College in Catholic Hall, Worcester square. Daniel J. O'Hern of Hyde Park was class president and he was assisted by Richard J. Howard of Malden. The patrons were Mrs. J. S. Convoy, Mrs. J. P. McGuinness, Mrs. C. J. O'Hern and Mrs. J. H. Lambert.

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In the Sky Over Us, Two-o-one.
Ring Out the Old: Ring in the New. (New Year's Song.)
Your Mother Wears You Home, Nellie Darling.
Any Rags.
Good-bye, Katie Dear.
Good-bye, My Lady Love.
When the Roses Bloom Again.
Will All the Gain for Me. (By writer of "Those Golden Days.")
You're as Welcome as the Flowers in May.
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HEARST'S BOSTON AMERICAN

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Do We Really Need a Whipping Post?

Are You in Favor of That Barbarous Punishment for Wife-Beaters?

The world begins to hear echoes of Mr. Roosevelt's whipping post suggestion.

A movement is on foot to establish the whipping post in Washington. Rather an appropriate place—if the whipping post is to become a national feature in the land of the free and the home of the brave.

But DO WE NEED a whipping post? Is there any general demand for it?

Is this sort of thing a step forward—if so, why was the whipping post ever abolished?

Why do the stocks no longer decorate each village? What has become of the ducking stool that used to calm the wives that talked too much?

Some clergymen are ardent in support of Mr. Roosevelt's suggestion that wife beaters should be beaten. One bishop and several less important reverends demand the whipping post with all speed for wife beaters and for other offenders.

The bishop wants wife beaters and those who attempt assassination to be whipped once a year. He thinks it would hurt their feelings.

Clergymen should be listened to always, and with reverence. But even they make mistakes, and sometimes they represent the views of the majority, or of the individual great man, rather than their own views.

Most eloquent sermons were preached all over this country in favor of slavery for many years.

The clergy of a non-slaveholding State rejected a prayer-book because it showed a slave in chains, among others, kneeling at the foot of the Cross.

The artist was instructed to take out the slave, and make the picture moral. Henry Ward Beecher dealt ably with that incident.

To FINE a wife beater is ridiculous, of course. To look him up and leave his wife and children penniless—adding worry and hunger to the wife's beating—is idiocy, to be sure.

But is there no alternative except to have the State turn brute in its turn AND IMITATE THE VERY BRUTALITY IT IS TRYING TO CORRECT?

Would you have the State official throw vitriol in the eyes of the vitriol thrower?

Would you have Jack the Ripper—if caught—ripped up in his own style in the name of the people?

Put your wife beater in jail—and for a good long time. MAKE him work hard, and from his work give the wife money enough to care for herself and children well, while the wife beater works. If his work does not produce enough—pay her the money anyhow. Take it out of the drunkard's fines. Drunkenness and wife beating are half-brothers. Let the fines of the drunkard support the family of the wife beater. That will be justice, practical and poetic at the same time.

Hard work will cure the brute. BRUTALITY WILL NOT CURE HIM.

Once we thought that Mr. Roosevelt's office-holding would not result in any permanent proof of great influence. That was before he became President.

We have changed our mind. If he should succeed in making a national feature of the whipping post, the country will always have something to remember him by.

They have the whipping post in China—they lash men through the streets. They use the lash in all savage countries—and civilization, as it progresses, has ALWAYS SUBSTITUTED OTHER AGENCIES FOR FORCE OR BRUTALITY.

If that is all a mistake; if we OUGHT to go back to the club as a moral agent, it is well that the people should think it over at least before making the change.

Would you insist on clubbing the husband, for instance, if the wife begged you not to disgrace her children's father publicly?

Would you insist on adding to her suffering TO EASE YOUR OWN NOBLE SENSE OF JUSTICE, when you might do all that is necessary by spending a little money—putting him away from his club and his liberty, keeping her from want, while he is learning his lesson?

Establish your whipping post and nine women out of ten—the best among them—will not tell when they are whipped. Thus you will add to the wife beater's security. Is that a good plan? Is moral law a failure? Does the club really exceed in efficiency all the powers of the mind?

Suppose the Two Fleets Meet

It Means More to Japan Than It Does to Russia

A Japanese fleet of forty ships of all sorts will concentrate at an island south of Formosa and make ready for the grapple with the Russian Baltic fleet.

That fleet is now in two divisions—one near Aden, the junction of the Red Sea and the Indian Ocean, and the other off Cape Town.

It is said these two squadrons will meet at a point not far away from the Mauritius group of islands.

This will be about four thousand miles from Port Arthur.

The Japanese fleet will concentrate at a point 3,000 miles distant from its foe.

Whether the Japanese will steam into the Indian Ocean and there meet the Russians, or whether they will meet them in the Straits of Malacca, is one of the problems.

Possibly the Russians will not go through this strait, but sail south of it and go up between Luzon and Canton.

Possibly the Japanese may try to meet the squadrons before they unite, but this is not probable.

The Russian fleet united is stronger in battleships than that of Japan. Two of these ships are the finest afloat.

The Japanese are better off in cruisers.

The loss of the Russian fleet would mean nothing more than the destruction of that fleet. The loss of the Japanese fleet would be a death blow.

Russia would then cut communication between Japan and Manchuria, and the army would be cut off from its home base.

Japan's supreme hour at sea is in the future, but if the luck of Togo does not desert him while all is staked on one engagement, the Japanese can yet feel that the Rojestvensky fleet must follow the sunken squadrons of Makaroff.

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Professor Trustayama, the Great Jap Expert, Giving an Exhibition

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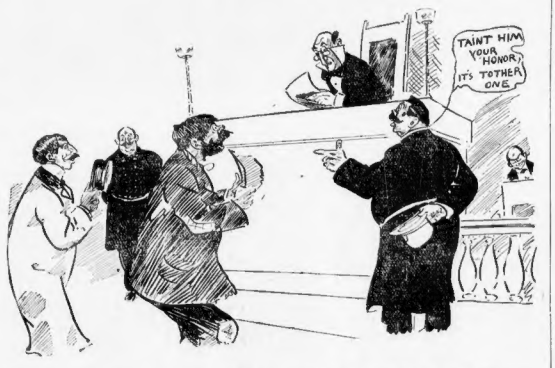
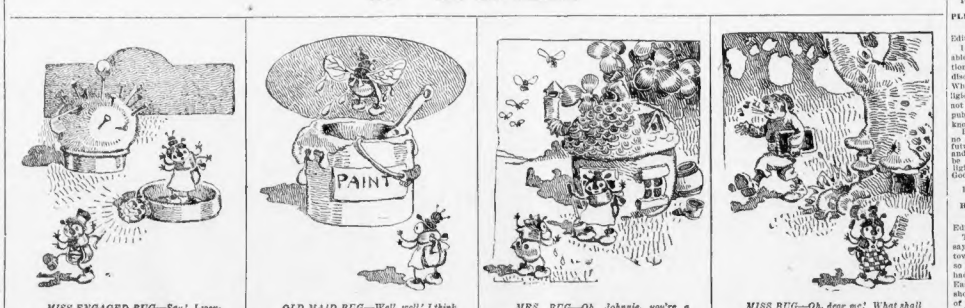
THINGS YOU SOMETIMES SEE



NEAR-SIGHTED JUDGE—Prisoner, you're charged here with speeding your automobile over twenty miles an hour.

IN BUGVILLE



MISS ENGAGED BUG—Say! I wonder if Henry expects me to wear this all the time?

OLD MAID BUG—Well, well! I think it's scandalous how the girls paint now days!

MRS. BUG—Oh, Johnnie, you're a sight! What have you been doing?
JOHNNIE BUG—I just said "To be or not to be," and the whole darned hive came after me!

MISS BUG—Oh, dear me! What shall I do? There's a man coming and my toilet isn't near finished!

By The Stenographer

HIGHER EDUCATION THAT TEACHES A GIRL TO BE CRUEL IS NOT THE RIGHT KIND

"WELL," said the Stenographer, "I see that the last disqualification of my sex for the higher education has been removed, and now it's up to the Jonahs, who have been declaring that women did not have the ability to take a thorough college course, to go away back and sit down."

"What intellectual stunt have women been tearing off just now?" inquired the Bookkeeper.

"The ability to take a college education nowadays consists of brawn and not brains," returned the Stenographer, "and that's what makes me so proud of this last achievement of my sex. Nobody has doubted for a long time that when it came to wrestling with the higher mathematics, or digging up Greek roots, or reeling off history and little simple things like that, the girl student in college could strike a gait that was liable to put the man student in the also ran class.

"But we've always felt that, when it got to the real, serious, strenuous things of college life, like football and throwing the hammer and flatfooted jumps, maybe nature hadn't adapted woman for the higher branches of learning. Her college yell was a little shrill.

"Basketball somehow lacks ginger, and I can't say that a muscular female sprinting around the track or doing flip-flops over a bar makes any hit with me. Still, I can't help being glad that my sex has, at last, qualified for admission into the halls of learning on an equal footing with men."

"What have they done?" again inquired the Bookkeeper.

"They have shown," replied the Stenographer, "that they have acquired the noble and elevating art of hazing, and that they can be just as brutal and cruel as any A. M. or B. A. or Ph. D. who ever adorned the classic shades of Harvard or Princeton or Yale.

"I point proudly to the fact that out in Indiana one girl is dead and six others are seriously ill as the result of their initiation into a secret society. The candidates were made to believe that a red hot iron was being chased up and down their spinal columns, and that they were eating a plateful of angle worms, and the other girls looked on with screams of laughter, while the poor victims fainted under the ordeal. For a neat and workmanlike bit of torture this deserves to rank with the artistic electrocution that the San Francisco college students have just pulled off under similar circumstances."

"The higher education is sure doing a lot for women," remarked the Bookkeeper.

"It's doing too much. It's working overtime when it makes a girl so philosophical that she can see a fellow creature in agony without wanting to rescue her," replied the Stenographer. "Between a woman without sympathy and without education, give me the lady whose grammar is rickety, but whose tears are always on tap for the sufferer."

"Don't you believe in the higher education for girls?" asked the Bookkeeper.

"It depends on what the college educates," returned the Stenographer. "If it educates her heart as well as her mind, it's all right; but the complete course in bloodthirstiness that the average college girl feels called on to take at her alma mater doesn't appeal to me. It makes me dead sore to think of the poor, worn, weary mothers who are taking in boarders and frying over cooking stoves and slaving themselves to death over sewing machines to send to college their girls, who are acquiring nothing but a stomach strong enough to find amusement in pretending to feed worms to other girls."

"College girls and college boys seem to be getting pretty much alike," said the Bookkeeper.

"Worse luck," agreed the Stenographer.

BELLE BLITZ.

"A muscular female doing flip-flops over a bar."

"The lady whose tears are always on tap."

The Old Leaf.

By Clement L. Pollock.

WHY turn over a new leaf?
Better look after the old.
May be the blisters that cause you grief
Can be changed to pictures of gold.
What of the friend from you estranged
While sadness fills your heart?
The gloom to sunshine might be changed
Through charity on your part.

What of the heartless words you spoke
With anger's blaze in your eye?
Erased they might be by a stroke
If you would only try.
What of the helping hand you stayed
With Want's cry in your ear?
It may not be too late delayed
To help, if you're sincere.

What of the injury done the name
Of the person talked about?
Why not own your sin and shame
And wipe the wrong done out?
For if you'll read the erring page
With a heart that believes,
It will shortly lose the stain of age
And gleam forth bright as new.

Little Editorials from the People

HOW ABOUT THE METER?

Editor BOSTON AMERICAN:

My idea of the gas situation is expressed in the following lines.

Suppose that gas were eighty cents per thousand and that the meter

Suppose we used the same amount as now for light and heat,

Do you suppose the meter would then recognize the cut?

Do you suppose that he could get the new rate through his nut?

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PLEADS FOR LOYALTY TO THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

Editor BOSTON AMERICAN:

I have just finished reading your admirable editorial on the public school question. There has always been more or less discussion about religion in our schools. Whether certain people are afraid that religion is on the decline or that children are not taught enough of the Scriptures, we public school supporters do not really know.

But the fact remains very plain—and no honest mind need fear for the world's future that the good and righteous laws and the truth will live for ever. Let us be loyal to the public school and our religious questions will be taken care of in God's own way of solving our destinies.

L. W. KIMBALL.

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RUSSIA'S "FRIENDLINESS" TO AMERICA.

Editor BOSTON AMERICAN:

The writer of a recent "little editorial" says "Russia has always been friendly toward this country." Oh, yes, especially so during the open-door controversy, when, had it not been for the Little Man of the East, who needed exercise, we might have shown her a few points in the little game of war ourselves.

Just to show our appreciation of her sincerity, we can but hope and expect that the Japanese will give to the heroes of Kishineff and other places a treat that will be remembered by them and their descendants for generations to come.

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